#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 7, 2008

RATINGS: Moody's: "Aaa" Fitch: "AAA"

#### **NEW ISSUE - BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY**

(See "BOND INSURANCE" and "RATINGS" herein)

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, assuming continuing compliance by the Board and the Authority after the date of initial delivery of the bonds described below (the "Bonds") with certain covenants contained in the Resolution authorizing the Bonds and subject to the matters set forth under "TAX MATTERS" herein, interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions (1) will be excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof pursuant to section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date of initial delivery of the Bonds, and (2) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of individuals or, except as described herein, corporations. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.



# \$20,175,000 TEXAS PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2008



Dated Date: Date of Delivery

Due: April 15, 2008 and October 15, as shown herein

The bonds described herein (the "Bonds") are issued by the Texas Public Finance Authority (the "Authority") on behalf of the Board of Regents (the "Board") of Stephen F. Austin State University (the "University"). The Bonds are payable from and secured by a lien on "Pledged Revenues" (as defined herein) of the University. THE BONDS ARE NOT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE BOARD, THE AUTHORITY, THE UNIVERSITY OR ANY PART THEREOF, THE STATE OF TEXAS (the "STATE"), OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE. NEITHER THE BOARD NOR THE AUTHORITY HAS ANY TAXING POWER, AND NEITHER THE CREDIT NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE IS PLEDGED AS SECURITY FOR THE BONDS. THE BREACH OF ANY COVENANT, AGREEMENT, OR OBLIGATION CONTAINED IN THE RESOLUTION WILL NOT IMPOSE OR RESULT IN GENERAL LIABILITY ON OR A CHARGE AGAINST THE GENERAL CREDIT OF THE BOARD, THE AUTHORITY, OR THE UNIVERSITY. THE OWNERS OF THE BONDS WILL NEVER HAVE THE RIGHT TO DEMAND PAYMENT OF THE BONDS FROM ANY SOURCE OTHER THAN PLEDGED REVENUES. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS".

Proceeds of the Bonds, together with other available funds, will be used for (i) acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, renovating, enlarging, or equipping an education research facility and (ii) paying the cost of issuance associated with the Bonds. See "PLAN OF FINANCING".

Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of delivery, and is payable on April 15, 2008 and each October 15 and April 15 thereafter, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds are initially issuable only to Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. Beneficial ownership of the Bonds may be acquired in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the purchasers thereof. Interest on and principal of the Bonds will be payable by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Houston, Texas, the initial Paying Agent/Registrar, to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS - Book-Entry-Only System".



The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under an insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by FINANCIAL SECURITY ASSURANCE INC. (see "BOND INSURANCE" herein).

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE (1)

\$2,570,000 Serial Bond due April 15, 2008(1), Interest Rate 4.000% - Yield 1.800% CUSIP No. 882756 ZY8(2)

Maturity (1)			Interest	Price	CUSIP	Maturity (1)			Interest	Price	CUSIP
(October 15)	A	Amount	Rate	or Yield	Numbers (2)	(October 15)		Amount	Rate	or Yield	Numbers (2)
2008	\$	620,000	4.000%	1.850%	882756 ZC6	2018	(3)(4)	\$ 865,000	4.000%	3.540%	882756 ZN2
2009		645,000	4.000%	1.900%	882756 ZD4	2019	(3)(4)	895,000	4.000%	3.710%	882756 ZP7
2010		665,000	4.000%	2.230%	882756 ZE2	2020	(3)(4)	930,000	4.000%	3.850%	882756 ZQ5
2011		685,000	4.000%	2.450%	882756 ZF9	2021	(3)	965,000	4.000%	4.000%	882756 ZR3
2012		710,000	4.000%	2.640%	882756 ZG7	2022	(3)	1,005,000	4.000%	4.100%	882756 ZS1
2013		730,000	4.000%	2.810%	882756 ZH5	2023	(3)	1,045,000	4.000%	4.180%	882756 ZT9
2014		755,000	3.500%	2.940%	882756 ZJ1	2024	(3)	1,090,000	4.250%	4.280%	882756 ZU6
2015		780,000	4.000%	3.080%	882756 ZK8	2025	(3)	1,135,000	4.250%	4.370%	882756 ZV4
2016		805,000	5.000%	3.230%	882756 ZL6	2026	(3)	1,190,000	4.250%	4.420%	882756 ZW2
2017		835,000	5.000%	3.360%	882756 ZM4	2027	(3)	1,255,000	4.250%	4.470%	882756 ZX0

#### (Interest to accrue from the date of delivery)

- 1) The Bonds are subject to redemption as set forth herein in the section "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS Redemption".
- (2) CUSIP numbers have been assigned to the Bonds by CUSIP Service Bureau and are included solely for the convenience of the owners of the Bonds. Neither the Authority, University, nor the Financial Advisor shall be responsible for the selection or the correctness of the CUSIP numbers shown herein.
- (3) The first optional call date is October 15, 2017.
- (4) Yield calculated based on the assumption that the Bonds denoted and sold at a premium will be redeemed on October 15, 2017, the first optional call date for the Bonds, at a redemption price of par, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to approval of legality by the Attorney General of the State and the opinion of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, as to the validity of the issuance of the Bonds under the Constitution and the laws of the State and to the effect that, assuming continuing compliance by the Authority and the Board with certain requirements contained in the Resolution of the Authority and the Board authorizing the Bonds and subject to certain matters discussed under "TAX MATTERS" herein, interest on the Bonds will be excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes and will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of owners thereof who are individuals or, except as herein described, corporations. See "TAX MATTERS" herein. The Bonds are expected to be available for initial delivery through DTC on or about March 4, 2008.

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<u>Residence</u>	Term Expiration
Dallas	January 31, 2009
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Nacogdoches	January 31, 2009
Dallas	January 31, 2009
The Colony	January 31, 2011
Pflugerville	January 31, 2011
Plano	January 31, 2013
New Braunfels	January 31, 2013
Tyler	January 31, 2013
Nacogdoches	May 31, 2008
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The Authority has no understanding with the Initial Purchaser regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds and has no control over the trading of the Bonds after their sale by the Authority. Information regarding reoffering yields or prices is the responsibility of the Initial Purchaser.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS, THE INITIAL PURCHASER MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

Neither the Authority nor the Board make any representation or warranty with respect to the information contained in this Official Statement regarding the Depository Trust Company or its book-entry-only system.

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#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

#### relating to

#### \$20,175,000

# TEXAS PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2008

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page and the Appendices hereto, is to provide certain information regarding the issuance by the Texas Public Finance Authority (the "Authority"), on behalf of the Board of Regents of Stephen F. Austin State University (the "Board"), of a series of its bonds entitled "Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2008" (the "Bonds"). Capitalized terms used in this Official Statement have the same meanings assigned to such terms in APPENDIX A, except as otherwise indicated herein.

Stephen F. Austin State University (the "University") was established pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas (the "State") as an institution of higher education. For the 2007 Fall Semester the University had a total enrollment of 11,607 students. The Board is the governing body of the University and its members are officers of the State, appointed by the Governor of the State (the "Governor") with the advice and consent of the State Senate. For a general description of the University, see "STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY" herein.

The Authority is the issuer of the Bonds for the benefit of the University pursuant to an Act of the Texas Legislature adopted in 1997. This Official Statement contains summaries and descriptions of the Plan of Financing, the Bonds, the University, the Authority, and other related matters. All references to and descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document. Copies of such documents may be obtained from the Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration, Stephen F. Austin State University, P.O. Box 6108, SFA Station, Nacogdoches, Texas 75963 (936) 468-2350. Copies of documents relating to the Authority may be obtained from the Executive Director, Texas Public Finance Authority, 300 West 15th Street, Suite 411, Austin, Texas 78701, (512) 463-5700.

This Official Statement speaks only as to its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. Copies of the Final Official Statement pertaining to the Bonds will be deposited with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, 1900 Duke Street, Suite 600, Alexandria, Virginia 22314. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" for a description of the Board's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

#### PLAN OF FINANCING

#### Authority for Issuance of the Bonds

The Bonds are being issued in accordance with the general laws of the State, Chapter 55, Texas Education Code, as amended, including particularly Section 55.13(c), Chapter 1232, Texas Government Code, as amended (the "Enabling Act"), including particularly, Section 1232.101 ("Section 1232.101"), Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code, as amended, and additionally pursuant to a resolution (the "Resolution") adopted by both the Board and the Authority's governing body.

#### Purpose

Proceeds of the Bonds, together with other available funds, will be used for (i) acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, renovating, enlarging, or equipping an education research facility and (ii) paying the cost of issuance associated with the Bonds.

One of the centers of excellence at Stephen F. Austin State University is the James I. Perkins College of Education. The James I. Perkins College of Education is one of the largest, most comprehensive producers of Texas educators and routinely achieves one of the

highest educator certification pass rates in the state. Stephen F. Austin State University has a proven and sustained track record of preparing quality teachers and other educational support professionals.

Using the strengths of the University's teacher education program, the University's nationally accredited Early Childhood Laboratory and exemplary-rated Charter School, the University will progress to a successful research and development site with the construction of the Education Research Center.

The Education Research Center financed in part with the bond proceeds will be a new facility that consists of 125,360 gross square feet. The facility will contain the elementary education department, the early childhood laboratory, the charter school, and educational research functions. The Center will support all aspects of early childhood academic delivery and will enhance services that the University provides to community agencies and school districts. The Center will also become a dissemination site for best instructional practices. Research in early childhood education will focus on the effects of quality instruction on student learning, childhood development, teacher preparation, student retention, and social issues that relate to children and families. With the rapidly changing demographics of Texas and the unique location of Stephen F. Austin State University, the Center will also concentrate on research and dissemination related to rural education.

The remaining project costs of the education research facility will be funded with other lawfully available funds, including portions of a future issuance of approximately \$8,000,000 in Higher Education Fund Bonds. The University also plans to issue an additional \$10,000,000 in Tuition Revenue Bonds ("TRBs"), authorized pursuant to Section 55.1758 of the Texas Education Code ("Ed. Code"), for deferred maintenance projects, along with an additional \$13,000,000 of TRBs, authorized pursuant to Section 55.1768 of the Ed. Code, for the construction of a nursing facility.

Pursuant to Section 1232.101, the Authority has the exclusive authority to issue bonds on behalf of the University. Further, Section 55.13(c) of the Texas Education Code provides that the Authority must exercise the authority of the Board to issue bonds on behalf of the University, and the Authority has all the rights and duties granted or assigned to and is subject to the same conditions as the Board under Chapter 55, Texas Education Code. The University submitted to the Authority, and the Authority approved, a request for financing for the issuance of the Bonds in an amount sufficient to finance approximately \$20,178,000 of estimated project cost. The total project cost of the education research facility is approximately \$28,000,000. The University plans to fund the remaining project costs with other lawfully available funds, including the sale of general obligation funds to be funded with Higher Education Funds. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS – Additional Obligations" herein.

#### THE AUTHORITY

The Authority is a public authority and body politic and corporate originally created in 1984 by an act of the Texas Legislature as the Texas Public Building Authority. The Authority (formerly known as the Texas Public Building Authority) succeeded to the ownership of all property of and all lease and rental contracts entered into by, the Texas Public Building Authority, and all of the obligations contracted or assumed by the Texas Public Building Authority became obligations of the Authority.

The Authority is currently governed by a board of directors (the "Authority Board") composed of seven members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the State Senate. The Governor designates one member to serve as Chair at the will of the Governor. Board members whose terms have expired continue to serve on the Authority Board, until a successor therefore has qualified for office. The current members of the Authority Board, the office held by each member and the date on which each member's term expires are as follows:

		Term Expires
<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	February 1
H.L. Bert Mijares, Jr.	Chair	2009
Ruth C. Schiermeyer	Vice-Chair	2013
Linda McKenna	Secretary	2011
Carin M. Barth	Member	2009
Gerald Alley	Member	2013
D. Joseph Meister	Member	2013
Robert T. Roddy, Jr.	Member	2013

The Authority employs an Executive Director who is charged with managing the affairs of the Authority, subject to and under the direction of the Authority Board. The Executive Director is Kimberly K. Edwards, who has served in this capacity since 1997. The agency has a cap of 15 full-time employees, and an annual operating budget of approximately \$800,000.

Pursuant to the Enabling Act and Chapters 1401 and 1403, Texas Government Code, as amended, the Authority issues general obligation bonds and revenue bonds for designated State agencies (including certain institutions of higher education). In addition, the Authority currently administers three commercial paper programs, namely: the Master Lease Purchase Program, which is primarily for financing equipment acquisitions; a General Obligation commercial paper program for certain general State government construction projects; and a General Obligation commercial paper program for the Colonia Roadway program. In addition, in 2003, the Authority created a nonprofit corporation to finance projects for eligible charter schools pursuant to Chapter 53, Texas Education Code, as amended.

The Authority has issued revenue bonds on behalf of the Parks & Wildlife Department, the Building and Procurement Commission, the State Preservation Board, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the Health & Human Services Commission, the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Department of State Health Services, the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas State Technical College System, the Texas Military Facilities Commission, the Texas Historical Commission, Midwestern State University, Texas Southern University and the University. It has also issued general obligation bonds for the Parks & Wildlife Department, the Building and Procurement Commission, the Department of State Health Services, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services, the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Texas Youth Commission, the Texas National Research Laboratory Commission, the Texas Historical Commission, the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Texas School for the Deaf, the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Adjutant General's Department, the Texas Department of Transportation, and the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission.

Before the Authority may issue bonds for the acquisition or construction of a building, the Legislature must have authorized the specific project for which the bonds are to be issued and the estimated cost of the project or the maximum amount of bonded indebtedness that may be incurred by the issuance of bonds. The Texas Supreme Court, in Texas Public Building Authority v. Mattox, 686 S.W.2d 924 (1985), ruled that revenue bonds issued by the Authority do not constitute debt of the State within the meaning of the State Constitution. As set forth in the Enabling Act, revenue obligations issued thereunder are not a debt of the State or any State agency, political corporation or political subdivision of the State and are not a pledge of the full faith and credit of any of them.

#### **Sunset Review**

In 1977, the State Legislature enacted the Texas Sunset Act (Chapter 325, Texas Government Code, as amended) which provides that virtually all agencies of the State, including the Authority, are subject to periodic review of the Legislature and that each agency subject to sunset review will be abolished unless the Legislature specifically determines to continue its existence. The next scheduled review of the Authority is during the legislative session in 2011. The Enabling Act, as amended by the 75th Legislature, provides that if the Authority is not continued in existence, the Authority will cease to exist as of September 1, 2011; however, the Texas Sunset Act provides that the Authority will exist until September 1 of the following year (September 1, 2012) in order to conclude its business.

#### Authority's Enabling Act; Payment and Approval of the Bonds

Under the Enabling Act, the Authority's power is limited to financing projects and does not affect the power of the Board to carry out its statutory authority, including its authority to construct buildings. The Enabling Act directs State agencies and institutions to carry out their authority regarding projects financed by the Authority as if the projects were financed by legislative appropriation. Accordingly, the Authority will not be responsible for supervising the construction and maintenance of any of the projects of the University.

Payments on the Bonds are expected to be made solely from the Pledged Revenues. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS." Any default in payments on the Bonds will not affect the payment of any other obligations of the Authority. With certain exceptions, bonds issued by State agencies and institutions, including bonds issued by the Authority, must be approved by the Texas Bond Review Board prior to their issuance. The Texas Bond Review Board is composed of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Comptroller. The

Governor is the Chairman of the Texas Bond Review Board. Each member of the Texas Bond Review Board may, and frequency does, act through a designee. An application was submitted to the Texas Bond Review Board and approved on January 17, 2008. In the case of bonds issued by institutions of higher education, such as the University, the projects to be financed by the bonds are also reviewed or approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (the "Coordinating Board"). The project to be financed with the proceeds of the Bonds was approved by the Coordinating Board as required by law.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS**

#### General

The Bonds will be issued only as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in any integral multiple of \$5,000 of principal amount within a stated maturity, will accrue interest from the Initial Date of Delivery, and will bear interest at the per annum rates shown on the cover page hereof. Interest on the Bonds is payable on October 15 and April 15 of each year, commencing April 15, 2008, and will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months. Interest on the bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds mature on April 15, 2008 and October 15 in the years and in the principal amounts set forth on the cover page hereof.

If the specified date for any payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday or equivalent (other than a moratorium) for banking institutions in the City of New York, New York or in the city of the Designated Payment Office for the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds, such payment may be made on the next succeeding day which is not one of the foregoing days without additional interest and with the same force and effect as if made on the specified date for such payment.

#### Sources and Uses of Funds

The proceeds of the Bonds, together with other funds to be provided by the University, will be applied as follows:

Sources of Funds	
Principal Amount of Bonds	\$ 20,175,000.00
Bid Premium	100,875.00
Total Sources of Funds	\$ 20,275,875.00
Uses of Funds	
Uses of Funds Deposit to Construction Fund	\$ 20,175,875.00
	\$ 20,175,875.00 100,000.00

#### Transfer, Exchange, and Registration

Upon surrender for transfer of any Bond at the Designated Trust Office described herein, the Authority will execute, and the Paying Agent/Registrar, initially Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Houston, Texas, will authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee, one or more new fully registered Bonds of the same Stated Maturity, of any authorized denominations, and of a like aggregate principal amount. At the option of the Holder, Bonds may be exchanged for other Bonds of the same Stated Maturity, of any authorized denominations, and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Bonds to be exchanged at the place of payment for the Bonds. Whenever any Bonds are so surrendered for exchange, the Authority and the Board will execute, and the Paying Agent/Registrar will authenticate and deliver the Bonds, which the Holder of Bonds making the exchange is entitled to receive. Every Bond presented or surrendered for transfer or exchange will be duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Authority and the Paying Agent/Registrar duly executed, by the Holder thereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing. No service charge will be made to the Holder for any registration, transfer, or exchange of Bonds, but the Authority or the Paying Agent/Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Bonds.

#### **Record Date for Interest Payment**

The regular record date ("Record Date") for the interest payable on any interest payment date means the last business day of the month next preceding each interest payment date.

The interest payable on, and paid or duly provided for on or within ten days after, any interest payment date will be paid to the person in whose name a Bond (or one or more predecessor Bonds evidencing the same debt) is registered at the close of business on the Record Date for such interest. Any such interest not so paid or duly provided for will cease to be payable to the person in whose name such Bonds is registered on such Record Date, and will be paid to the person in whose name this Bond (or one or more predecessor Bonds) is registered at the close of business on a special Record Date for the payment of such defaulted interest to be fixed by the Paying Agent/Registrar, notice whereof being given to the Holders of the Bonds not less than 15 days prior to the special Record Date.

#### Redemption

The Bonds scheduled to mature on and after October 15, 2018 are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Authority, upon the request of the Board, on October 15, 2017 or on any date thereafter, in whole or in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (and, if in part within a maturity, the particular Bonds or portion thereof to be redeemed will be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar) at a price of par plus accrued interest from the most recent interest payment date to the redemption date.

#### Notice of Redemption

At least 30 days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of Bonds or portions thereof prior to maturity a written notice of such redemption will be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for any such redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond to be redeemed at its address as it appeared on the Registration Books on the 45th day prior to such redemption date; provided, however, that the failure to send or receive such notice, or any defect therein or in the sending thereof, will not affect the validity or effectiveness of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond. So long as the Bonds remain Book-Entry-Only System Bonds, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall only be required to send such notice of redemption to DTC (or its nominee) see "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS –Book-Entry Only System").

In addition, the Paying Agent/Registrar will give notice of redemption of Bonds at least 30 days prior to a redemption date to each registered securities depository and to any national information service that disseminates redemption notices. The Paying Agent/Registrar will also send a notice of prepayment or redemption to the registered owner of any Bond who has not sent the Bonds in for redemption 60 days after the redemption date.

Each notice of redemption will contain a description of the Bonds to be redeemed, including the complete name of the Bonds, the Series, the date of issue, the interest rate, the maturity date, the CUSIP number, a reference to the principal amounts of each maturity called for redemption, the mailing date for the notice, the date of redemption, the redemption price, the name of the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the address at which the Bonds may be redeemed, including a contact person and telephone number.

#### Paying Agent/Registrar

In the Resolution, the Board covenants with the registered owners of the Bonds that at all times while the Bonds are outstanding the Board will provide a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as and perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds under the Resolution, and that the Paying Agent/Registrar will be one entity. The Board reserves the right to, and may, at its option, change the Paying Agent/Registrar upon not less than 120 days written notice to the Paying Agent/Registrar, to be effective not later than 60 days prior to the next principal or interest payment date after such notice. In the event that the entity at any time acting as Paying Agent/Registrar (or its successor by merger, acquisition, or other method) should resign or otherwise cease to act as such, the Board covenants that promptly it will appoint a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as Paying Agent/Registrar under the Resolution. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the previous Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall transfer and deliver the Registration Books (or a copy thereof), along with all other pertinent books and records relating to the Bonds, to the new Paying

Agent/Registrar designated and appointed by the Board. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Board promptly will cause a written notice thereof to be sent by the new Paying Agent/Registrar to the Authority and to each registered owner of the Bonds, by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice also shall give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

#### **Book-Entry-Only System**

This section describes how ownership of the Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds are to be paid to and accredited by DTC while the Bonds are registered in its nominee name. The information in this section concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been provided by DTC for use in disclosure documents such as this Official Statement. The Authority and the Board believe the source of such information to be reliable, but takes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.

The Authority cannot and does not give any assurance that (1) DTC will distribute payments of debt service on the Bonds, or redemption or other notices, to DTC Participants, (2) DTC Participants or others will distribute debt service payments paid to DTC or its nominee (as the registered owner of the Bonds), or redemption or other notices, to the Beneficial Owners, or that they will do so on a timely basis, or (3) DTC will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement. The current rules applicable to DTC are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the current procedures of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee). One fully registered Bond will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of each such maturity and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 2.2 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instrument from over 100 countries that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities Bonds. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of Direct Participants of DTC and Members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation (NSCC, FICC, and EMCC, also subsidiaries of DTCC), as well as by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has Standard & Poor's highest rating: AAA. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtc.com and www.dtc.org.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bonds ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transactions, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owners entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interest in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive Bonds representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participant to whose account such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

#### Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of this Official Statement

In reading this Official Statement it should be understood that while the Bonds are in the Book-Entry-Only System, references in other sections of this Official Statement to registered owners should be read to include the person for which the Participant acquires an interest in the Bonds, but (i) all rights of ownership must be exercised through DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System, and (ii) except as described above, notices that are to be given to registered owners under the Resolution will be given only to DTC.

Information concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been obtained from DTC and is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a representation by the Authority, the Financial Advisor or the Underwriters.

#### Effect of Termination of Book-Entry-Only System

In the event that the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by DTC or the use of the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by the Authority, printed Bonds will be issued to the holders and the Bonds will be subject to transfer, exchange and registration provisions as set forth in the Resolution and summarized under "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS - Transfer, Exchange and Registration" herein.

THE PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR, THE BOARD, AND THE AUTHORITY, SO LONG AS THE DTC BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM IS USED FOR THE BONDS, WILL SEND ANY NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RESOLUTION OR OTHER NOTICES WITH RESPECT TO SUCH BONDS ONLY TO DTC. ANY FAILURE BY DTC TO ADVISE ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OR OF ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT TO NOTIFY THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS, OF ANY NOTICES AND THEIR CONTENTS OR EFFECT WILL NOT AFFECT ANY ACTION PREMISED ON ANY SUCH NOTICE. NEITHER THE BOARD, THE AUTHORITY, NOR THE PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS, OR THE PERSONS FOR WHOM DTC PARTICIPANTS ACT AS NOMINEES, WITH RESPECT TO THE PAYMENTS ON THE BONDS OR THE PROVIDING OF NOTICE TO DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS, OR BENEFICIAL OWNERS.

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## DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Year															
Ending	Outstanding Debt Service (1)							The Bonds						Total Combined	
8/31	8/31 Pr			Interest		Debt Service		Principal		Interest		Debt Service		Debt Service	
2008	\$	4,525,000	\$	5,238,086	\$	9,763,086	\$	2,570,000	\$	94,676	\$	2,664,676	\$	12,427,762	
2009		4,855,000		5,052,832		9,907,832		620,000		716,100		1,336,100		11,243,932	
2010		5,065,000		4,849,739		9,914,739		645,000		690,800		1,335,800		11,250,539	
2011		5,275,000		4,638,512		9,913,512		665,000		664,600		1,329,600		11,243,112	
2012		5,300,000		4,421,280		9,721,280		685,000		637,600		1,322,600		11,043,880	
2013		5,535,000		4,192,656		9,727,656		710,000		609,700		1,319,700		11,047,356	
2014		5,780,000		3,939,225		9,719,225		730,000		580,900		1,310,900		11,030,125	
2015		6,070,000		3,661,714		9,731,714		755,000		553,088		1,308,088		11,039,801	
2016		6,355,000		3,369,373		9,724,373		780,000		524,275		1,304,275		11,028,648	
2017		6,650,000		3,067,565		9,717,565		805,000		488,550		1,293,550		11,011,115	
2018		6,970,000		2,755,593		9,725,593		835,000		447,550		1,282,550		11,008,143	
2019		7,300,000		2,427,210		9,727,210		865,000		409,375		1,274,375		11,001,585	
2020		7,170,000		2,094,350		9,264,350		895,000		374,175		1,269,175		10,533,525	
2021		7,485,000		1,767,681		9,252,681		930,000		337,675		1,267,675		10,520,356	
2022		7,825,000		1,431,231		9,256,231		965,000		299,775		1,264,775		10,521,006	
2023		7,090,000		1,091,406		8,181,406		1,005,000		260,375		1,265,375		9,446,781	
2024		7,415,000		762,506		8,177,506		1,045,000		219,375		1,264,375		9,441,881	
2025		7,745,000		427,225		8,172,225		1,090,000		175,313		1,265,313		9,437,538	
2026		5,745,000		127,688		5,872,688		1,135,000		128,031		1,263,031		7,135,719	
2027								1,190,000		78,625		1,268,625		1,268,625	
2028								1,255,000		26,669		1,281,669		1,281,669	
	\$	120,155,000	\$	55,315,873	\$	175,470,873	\$ 2	20,175,000	\$	8,317,226	\$	28,492,226	\$	203,963,099	

<sup>(1)</sup> See Table 4 – Outstanding Indebtedness.

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#### SECURITY FOR THE BONDS

#### The Revenue Financing System

The Resolution confirms the creation in 1998 of the Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System (the "Revenue Financing System"). The Revenue Financing System was established to provide a financing structure for revenue supported indebtedness of the University and any research and service agencies or other components of the University which may thereunder be included, by Board action, as participants in the Revenue Financing System ("Participants"). The Revenue Financing System is intended to facilitate the assembling of all of the University's revenue-supported debt capacity into a single financing program in order to provide a cost-effective debt program to Participants and to maximize the financing options available to the Board. Presently, only the University is a Participant. The Resolution provides that once a university or agency becomes a Participant, its Revenue Funds become part of the Pledged Revenues; provided, however, that, if at the time an entity becomes a Participant it has outstanding obligations secured by any or all of its Revenue Funds, such obligations will constitute Prior Encumbered Obligations under the Resolution and the pledge of such sources as Pledged Revenues will be subject and subordinate to such outstanding Prior Encumbered Obligations. Thereafter, the Board or the Authority, on behalf of the Board, may issue bonds, notes, commercial paper, contracts, or other evidences of indebtedness, including credit agreements on behalf of such institution on parity, as to payment and security, with the Outstanding Parity Obligations, subject only to the outstanding Prior Encumbered Obligations, if any, with respect to such Participant. Upon becoming a Participant, an entity may no longer issue obligations having a lien on Pledged Revenues prior to the lien on the Outstanding Parity Obligations. Generally, Prior Encumbered Obligations are those bonds or other obligations issued on behalf of a Participant which were outstanding on the date such entity became a Participant in the Revenue Financing System. Presently there are no Prior Encumbered Obligations outstanding as described in Table 4 below. See "SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION" and "APPENDIX A – DEFINITIONS".

#### Pledge Under Resolution

The Bonds, the Currently Outstanding Previously Issued Parity Obligations, and any additional obligations previously or hereafter issued on a parity with the Bonds (referred to herein collectively as "Parity Obligations") are special obligations of the Board equally and ratably secured solely by and payable solely from a pledge of and lien on the Pledged Revenues as described below.

The Resolution presently provides that the Pledged Revenues consist of, subject to the provisions of the Prior Encumbered Obligations, the Revenue Funds, including all of the revenues, funds, and balances now or hereafter lawfully available to the Board and derived from or attributable to any Participant of the Revenue Financing System which are lawfully available to the Board for the payment of Parity Obligations. Revenue Funds include the revenues, incomes, receipts, rentals, rates, charges, fees, grants, and tuition levied or collected from any public or private source by the Participants, including interest or other income from those funds, derived by the Board from the operations of each of the Participants. Revenue Funds do not include, with respect to each series or issue of Parity Obligations, any tuition, rentals, fees, or other charges attributable to any student in a category which, at the time of the adoption by the Board of a resolution relating to such Parity Obligations, is exempt by law or by the Board from paying such tuition, rentals, fees, or other charges; provided, however, that the following will not be included in Pledged Revenues unless and to the extent set forth in a Resolution authorizing the issuance of Parity Obligations: (a) amounts received on behalf of any Participant under Article 7, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, including the income there from and any fund balances relating thereto (see "SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION - Higher Education Fund Bonds"); and (b) except to the extent so specifically appropriated, general revenue funds appropriated to the Board by the Legislature of the State of Texas (the "Texas Legislature"). All legally available funds of the University, including unrestricted fund and reserve balances, are pledged to the payment of the Parity Obligations. A more detailed description of the types of revenues and expenditures of the Revenue Financing System and their availability to the Board for various purposes may be found under "Table 1 - Pledged Revenues" and "SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION". See also "SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION".

The Board has covenanted in the Resolution that in each Fiscal Year it will use its reasonable efforts to collect revenues sufficient to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System including all deposits or payments due on or with respect to outstanding Parity Obligations for such Fiscal Year. The Board has also covenanted in the Resolution that it will not incur any debt secured by Pledged Revenues unless such debt constitutes a

Parity Obligation or is junior and subordinate to the Parity Obligations. The Board intends to issue most of its revenue-supported debt obligations which benefit components of the University as Parity Obligations under the Resolution.

THE BONDS ARE NOT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE BOARD, THE AUTHORITY, THE UNIVERSITY OR ANY PART THEREOF, THE STATE OF TEXAS, OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE. NEITHER THE BOARD NOR THE AUTHORITY HAS ANY TAXING POWER, AND NEITHER THE CREDIT NOR THE TAXING POWER OF THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE IS PLEDGED AS SECURITY FOR THE BONDS. THE BREACH OF ANY COVENANT, AGREEMENT, OR OBLIGATION CONTAINED IN THE RESOLUTION WILL NOT IMPOSE OR RESULT IN GENERAL LIABILITY ON OR A CHARGE AGAINST THE GENERAL CREDIT OF THE BOARD, THE AUTHORITY, OR THE UNIVERSITY. THE OWNERS OF THE BONDS WILL NEVER HAVE THE RIGHT TO DEMAND PAYMENT OF THE BONDS FROM ANY SOURCE OTHER THAN PLEDGED REVENUES. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS."

#### Table 1 - Pledged Revenues

The following table contains a summary of the Pledged Revenues for the Fiscal Years Ending August 31, 2003 through 2007, including pledged unappropriated fund balances available at the beginning of the year. The Pledged Revenues consist of Unrestricted Current Funds Revenues but do not include: remissions, governmental appropriations, gifts, grants and contracts within the Educational and General Fund Group; Higher Education Assistance Funds; and student service fees and private gifts in the Auxiliary Fund Group, as such terms are used in "APPENDIX A -FINANCIAL REPORT OF STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2007."

	Fiscal Year Ended August 31,									
		<u>2007</u>		<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>		2004		<u>2003</u>
Total Revenues - Pledged Auxilliary	\$	92,566,133	\$	80,877,816	\$	65,872,054	\$	65,951,171	\$	61,170,532
Unappropriated Balance -		7,128,016		6,220,183		5,694,837		6,226,427		6,069,133
Total Pledged Revenues -	\$	99,694,149	\$	87,097,999	\$	71,566,891	\$	72,177,598	\$	67,239,665

Maximum annual debt service over the life of the Prior Encumbered Obligations, the Outstanding Parity Obligations and the Bonds is \$12,427,762.

#### Additional Obligations

#### Future Financings

The remaining project costs of the education research facility will be funded with other lawfully available funds, including portions of a future issuance of approximately \$8,000,000 in Higher Education Fund Bonds. The University also plans to issue an additional \$10,000,000 in Tuition Revenue Bonds ("TRBs"), authorized pursuant to Section 55.1758 of the Texas Education Code ("Ed. Code"), for deferred maintenance projects, along with an additional \$13,000,000 of TRBs, authorized pursuant to Section 55.1768 of the Ed. Code, for the construction of a nursing facility.

#### Parity Obligations

The Board reserves the right to issue or incur, or request that the Authority, on its behalf, issue or incur additional Parity Obligations for any purpose authorized by law pursuant to the provisions of the Resolution. The Board or the Authority acting on behalf of the Board may incur, assume, or guarantee, or cause to be incurred, assumed or guaranteed, or otherwise become liable with respect to any Parity Obligations if: (i) the Board will have determined (A) that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of the University, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System, and (B) the Participant or Participants for whom the Parity Obligations are being issued or incurred possess the financial capacity to satisfy their respective Direct Obligations, after taking into account the then proposed additional Parity Obligations; and (ii) a Designated Financial Officer delivers to

the Board and the Authority a certificate stating that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the Board is in compliance with all covenants contained in the Resolution and any resolution adopted authorizing the issuance of Parity Obligations, and is not in default in the performance and observance of any of the terms, provisions, and conditions thereof. See "SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION" and "SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION - Future Capital Improvement Needs and Projected Debt Issuance".

Nonrecourse Debt and Subordinate Debt

Nonrecourse Debt and Subordinated Debt may be incurred by the Board, or the Authority on behalf of the Board, without limitation.

#### STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

#### **General Description**

The University was created by the 36th Texas Legislature in 1921. From its inception as primarily a college for teacher training, the University's scope has been greatly expanded to that of a regional university.

The University is located in Nacogdoches, Texas, the county seat of Nacogdoches County. Nacogdoches, one of the oldest cities in Texas, was originally established in 1716 as the site of the Guadalupe de Nacogdoches Mission. Today it is a city of approximately 30,000 people with an economy based on timber, agriculture, poultry production, fertilizer and feed producing plants, and wood processing, as well as general commerce.

The main campus includes over 400 acres, part of the original homestead of Thomas J. Rusk, an early Texas patriot and United States Senator. In addition, the University maintains a university farm of 477 acres for beef and poultry production; an experimental forest in southwestern Nacogdoches County; and a forestry field station on Lake Sam Rayburn. The main campus hosts 28 major instructional buildings and 16 residence halls, representing an investment of approximately \$247 million. The central library houses over 560,000 books and over 1,640,000 general collection items. The University operates a Forestry Library which, in addition to a general forestry collection, contains a highly regarded repository by the Forest History Collection. Other facilities of special interest at the University include the Soils Testing Laboratory, the Forestry Research Laboratory and the Seed Testing Laboratory. At August 31, 2007, the cost value of all University capital assets net of depreciation was over \$168 million.

#### Curriculum

The University is a fully state-supported coeducational institution of higher learning. It is organized into six separate colleges that include the Colleges of Business, Education, Fine Arts, Forestry and Agriculture, Liberal and Applied Arts, and Sciences and Mathematics. These colleges currently offer 83 different baccalaureate degrees in over 120 subject areas. In addition, the graduate colleges offers master's degrees in Fine Arts, Arts, Business, Administration, Education, Forestry, and Science in 46 separate programs, and doctoral degrees in Forestry and Education.

#### First Time Freshman Statistics

	Fall Semester Enrollment for Fiscal Year: (1)								
	2008	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>				
Men	858	845	757	632	659				
Women	1,324	1,401	1,164	1,052	1,095				
Total	2,182	2,246	1,921	1,684	1,754				
% Change	-2.85%	16.92%	14.07%	-3.99%	-11.55%				
One Year Retention Rate (2)	64%	64%	67%	66%	60%				

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents Full-Time Enrollement Students

Source: Stephen F. Austin State University Office of Institutional Research

<sup>(2)</sup> One-year retention rates for the fall year are return rates for first-time, full-time freshmen enrolled in the prior fall term

Table 2 – Enrollment Data (1)

	Fiscal Year 2008	Fiscal Year 2007						
Type of Student	Fall 2007	Summer II 2007	Summer I 2007	Spring 2007	Fall 2006			
Texas Resident	11,203	3,942	4,276	10,418	11,315			
Out of State	247	64	74	241	295			
Foreign	156	66	61	149	139			
Inter-institutional	1	17	30	14	7			
Total	11,607	4,089	4,441	10,822	11,756			
High School scholarship	20	-	-	26	26			
Hazelwood Act	40	27	28	36	37			
St. Commission Blind/Deaf	52	19	20	40	40			
Orphaned Children of Public Employees	3	1	1	2	4			
Foster Care	16	9	8	16	14			
Other Exemptions and Out of State Waivers	426	103	116	380	397			

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Fall Enrollment Trend Data					
Fiscal Year	Students	Semester Hours			
2008	11,607	145,669			
2007	11,756	146,554			
2006	11,435	142,247			
2005	11,287	138,654			
2004	11,408	140,221			
2003	11,356	141,479			
2002	11,569	146,739			
2001	11,484	145,499			
2000	11,919	150,767			
1999	12,132	153,555			
1998	12,041	152,503			
1997	11,690	147,577			
1996	11,758	147,842			
1995	12,206	153,533			
1994	12,493	159,649			
1993	12,721	162,372			
1992	12,687	162,639			
1991	12,815	163,916			

Source: Stephen F. Austin State University Office of Institutional Research.

(1) Includes combined headcount number for Undergraduate and Graduate students.

#### Degrees Awarded by School and Percent of Total

For Fiscal Year Ended August 31,

	2	2007		2006	2	2005	2	2004	2	2003
Business	307	13.91%	325	15.01%	311	13.69%	365	16.86%	420	20.04%
Education	598	27.10%	583	26.93%	559	24.61%	541	24.99%	442	21.09%
Fine Arts	102	4.62%	101	4.67%	125	5.50%	89	4.11%	101	4.82%
Forestry and Agriculture	76	3.44%	71	3.28%	117	5.15%	36	1.66%	54	2.58%
Liberal and Applied Arts	480	21.75%	444	20.51%	491	21.62%	498	23.00%	487	23.23%
Sciences & Mathematics	171	7.75%	176	8.13%	182	8.01%	188	8.68%	149	7.11%
Graduate	473	21.43%	465	21.48%	486	21.40%	448	20.69%	443	21.14%
Total	2,207	100.00%	2,165	100.00%	2,271	100.00%	2,165	100.00%	2,096	100.00%

Source: Stephen F. Austin State University Office of Institutional Research.

#### Faculty Profile

The minimum degree requirement for a faculty member above the rank of teaching assistant at the University is a Master's degree (or equivalent), with the exception of one Theater/Art lecturer appointed in October of 2007. During the fall semester 2007, the University employed 454 full-time instructional faculty and 171 part-time faculty (excludes teaching assistants).

Approximately 82% of the full-time faculty hold academic rank and 46% of full-time faculty are tenured. The following data apply to the full-time faculty:

Academic Credentials	<u>Number</u>	Academic Rank	<u>Number</u>	% Tenured
Doctorate	299	Professor	105	100.00%
Master's Degree (or equivalent)	144	Associate Professor	87	96.55%
Other	11	Assistant Professor	127	13.39%
		Instructor	53	3.77%
		Lecturer	35	0.00%
		Visiting Professor	14	0.00%
		Adjunct	33	0.00%
	454	Total	454	45.81%

Source: Stephen F. Austin State University Office of Institutional Research.

#### Deposits and Investments

In 2005, the University implemented GASB Statement No. 40, Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, an amendment to GASB Statement No. 3. This statement establishes and modifies disclosure requirements related to investment risks: credit risk including custodial credit risk and concentrations of credit risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk. The statement also establishes and modifies disclosure requirements for deposit risks: custodial credit risk and foreign credit risk. See – "APPENDIX B – FINANCIAL REPORT OF STEPHEN F. AUSTIN FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2007 – NOTE 3"

#### Deposits of Cash in Bank

The University invests its funds under authority of provisions of the Texas Education Code, the Texas Property Code, and the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code (the "PFIA"). At August 31, 2007, the carrying amount of the University's deposits was \$22,509,984 and total cash balances equaled \$23,359,755.01. Bank balances of \$458,724 were covered by federal depository insurance, \$22,364,384.97 was covered by collateral pledged in the University's name and \$536,645.97 was uninsured and uncollateralized. The collateral was held in the safekeeping departments of unrelated banks that act as the pledging banks' agents. Cash and Temporary Investments, as reported on the Balance Sheet contained in APPENDIX B.

#### Investments

As of August 31, 2007, the fair value of cash and investments are as presented below:

Bank Deposits:	
Cash in Bank	
Investments:	\$14,865,290
Current Assets:	
Cash Equivalents	45,732,078
Short-Term Investments	83,351
Restricted Cash Equivalents	5,293,513
Non-Current Assets	
Restricted:	
Cash Equivalents	309,773
Endowments	9,752,937
Quasi-Endowments	3,841,689
Unrestricted Investments	19,117,412
Subtotal	84,130,753
Less: Certificates of Deposit	(7,644,694)
Less: Sweep accounts reported as cash equivalents	(45,824,098)
Total Investments	30,661,962
Total Temporary Cash and Investments	\$45,527,252

#### Investments by Category:

Business-Type Activities:	<u>Fair Value</u>
U.S. Government	
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$17,424,528
U.S. Government Agency Obligations	
(Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Sallie Mae, etc)	905,145
Corporate Obligations	247,801
Equity	4,075,352
International Obligations (Government and Corp)	106,041
International Equity	1,263,097
Fixed Income Money Market and Bond Mutual Fund	5,511,267
Other Commingled Funds (Texpool)	83,351
Alternative Investments	1,045,379
Total Investments	30,661,962
Plus: Cash in Bank	14,865,290
Total Temporary Cash and Investments	\$45,527,252

#### **Endowments**

The University spending policy was revised in fiscal year 2007. The new policy provides for a target distribution rate of between 4 and 5 percent. If returns permit, an amount equal to the rate of inflation will be added back to each endowment principal balance. Additionally if there are any returns beyond the inflation rate, then this amount will be added to a contingency reserve that may be distributed during years of poor investment performance. In 2007, 4% of total earnings were distributed to scholarship accounts, 2.5% were added back to the balance of each individual endowment account and 3.06% were added to a contingency reserve.

#### Retirement Plans

The State has joint contributory retirement plans for substantially all of its employees. One of the primary plans in which the University participates is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). The contributory percentages of participant salaries currently provided by the State and by each participant are 6.0% and 6.4%, respectively, of annual compensation.

The TRS does not separately account for each of its component governmental agencies. Further information regarding actuarial assumptions and conclusions, together with audited financial statement is included in the TRS's annual report.

The State has also established an Optional Retirement Program (the ORP) for institutions of higher education. Participation in the ORP is in lieu of participation in the Teacher Retirement System. ORP provides for the purchase of annuity contracts. The contributory percentages on salaries for participants entering the program prior to September 1995 are 8.5% and 6.65% by the State and each participant, respectively. The State's contribution is comprised of 6.00% from the ORP appropriation and 2.5% from other funding sources. The 6.00% contribution is mandatory with the other 2.5% being at the discretion of the Board. The Board has approved the additional contributions for employees of Stephen F. Austin State University. The contributory percentages on salaries for participants entering the program after August 31, 1995, are 6.00% and 6.65% by the State and each participant, respectively. Since these are individual annuity contracts, the State has no additional or unfunded liability for this program.

Beginning September 1, 2007, the state contribution changed for TRS and ORP. The State's contribution is now 6.58%. The contributory percentages on salaries for participants entering the ORP program prior to September 1995 remain at 8.5% and 6.65% by the State and each participant, respectively. The State's contribution is now comprised of 6.58% from the ORP appropriation and 1.92% from other funding sources. The 6.58% is mandatory with the other 1.92% being at the discretion of the Board. The Board has approved the additional contributions for employees of Stephen F. Austin State University. The contributory percentages on salaries for participants entering the program after August 31, 1995, are 6.58% and 6.65% by the State and each participant, respectively.

The retirement expense to the State for the participants was \$2,062,327 for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2007. This amount represents the portion of expended appropriations made by the Texas Legislature on behalf of the University.

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **Financial Reports**

The Vice President of Finance and Administration is responsible for the operational activities and financial management of Stephen F. Austin State University's debt, cash, risk, budgets, accounting, financial statements, and investment management of the operating and endowment funds.

#### State CAFR

The State issues an audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR"), prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, for the State as a whole. The CAFR is normally available in April of each year. The CAFR is prepared by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and is audited by the State Auditor's Office. The State Auditor expresses an opinion on the CAFR but does not express an opinion on the financial reports of individual member units, including those of Stephen F. Austin State University.

The Fiscal Year of the State and Stephen F. Austin State University begins on September 1 of each year. Annually, not later than November 20th, an unaudited financial report dated as of August 31, prepared from the books of Stephen F. Austin State University, must be delivered to the Governor and the State Comptroller of Public Accounts. In certifying the financial reports included in the CAFR, the State Auditor examines the financial records of Stephen F. Austin State University. No independent audit in support of this detailed review is required or obtained by Stephen F. Austin State University.

#### Stephen F. Austin State University Financial Reports

Stephen F. Austin State University is an agency of the State and its financial records reflect compliance with applicable State statutes and regulations. The significant accounting policies followed by the University in maintaining accounts and in the preparation of the financial statements are materially in accordance with "Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts' Annual Financial Reporting Requirements." The requirements are also in substantial conformity with the Financial Accounting and Reporting Manual for Higher Education as revised by GASB No. 34 and No. 35, published by the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO).

During Fiscal Year 2004, the State and the University implemented GASB Statement No. 39 ("GASB 39") "Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units, an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14." GASB 39 requires state and local governments to report legally separate, tax exempt organizations as discrete component units if they meet the following criteria: (1) the economic resources raised and held by the affiliated organization almost entirely are for the benefit of the governmental entity; (2) the governmental entity is entitled to or has the ability to access the funds raised by the affiliated organization; and (3) the funds held by the affiliated organization are material to the governmental entity's financial statements.

Stephen F. Austin State University's financial reports cover all financial operations of Stephen F. Austin State University.

Attached to this Official Statement as "APPENDIX B – FINANCIAL REPORT OF STEPHEN F. AUSTIN FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2007" is the most recent unaudited annual financial report for the University. The University's unaudited financial statements consist of the Statement of Net Assets as of August 31, 2007, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets for the Year Ended August 31, 2007 and the Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended August 31, 2007.

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Table 3 - Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

The table on the following pages presents the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets for Fiscal Years 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, and 2003.

For Fiscal Years Ending August 31 2005 (1) 2004 (2) 2007 2003 Operating Revenues: Tuition & Fees - Pledged \$57,443,265 \$51,289,442 \$44,887,862 \$15,109,307 \$10,666,638 Tuition & Fees - Non-Pledged 3,294,241 3,129,963 3,026,693 25,785,234 24,101,806 Tuition - Discounts/Allowances (12,311,029) (10,604,734) (8,663,434) (9,159,866)(5,904,668)Auxiliary Enterprise - Pledged 28,323,272 22,694,200 20,512,199 23,318,865 23,738,185 Auxiliary Enterprise - Non-Pledged 1,411,209 889,554 945,004 856,109 857,712 Auxiliary Enterprise - Discounts/Allowances (5,074,719)(4,180,322)(3,708,889)(2,873,211)\_ Other Sales of Goods and Svcs - Pledged 3,754,490 3,682,579 3,136,212 3,107,420 2,973,497 Other Sales of Goods and Svcs - Non-Pledged 1,230,398 1,171,220 815,526 951,007 938,355 Interest and Investment Income (PR) 188,608 183,728 65,316 162,706 750,824 Federal Revenue 15,503,620 14,842,223 13,945,060 13,745,946 12,822,684 Federal Pass Through Revenue 3,237,154 4,235,374 849,382 862,899 947,868 575,061 State Grant Revenue 786,906 468,160 526,954 1,591,117 State Grant Pass Through Revenue 3,878,375 4,367,220 4,230,341 3,738,735 4,638,926 Local Contracts and Grants 502,475 238,027 355,812 477,714 661,282 1,528,371 1,943,552 Other Contracts and Grants 416,792 651,246 837,666 <u>54,1</u>80 Other Operating Revenues 10,765 21,191 64,011 327,927 \$102,595,824 \$78,182,494 \$93,185,972 \$81,065,581 Total Operating Revenues \$81,766,923 Operating Expenses: Cost of Goods Sold \$6,570,532 \$5,811,669 \$5,376,380 \$9,306,295 \$8,696,482 Salaries and Wages 70,782,231 67,752,061 64,118,502 60,891,741 61,718,899 Payroll Related Costs 18,445,775 17,332,491 16,081,665 15,498,873 16,759,843 1,477,896 1,674,622 1,710,449 2,655,657 2,501,150 Professional Fees and Services 1,924,836 1,591,632 Travel 2,026,920 1,934,403 1,648,298 12,129,681 (3) 5,472,001 4,551,086 Materials and Supplies 17,184,358 4,186,957 Communication and Utilities 11,475,015 10,966,934 9,180,234 7,652,475 7,689,005 1,938,882 Repairs and Maintenance 3,114,489 1,639,948 2,310,878 2,203,082 1,682,376 1,789,196 1,230,924 1,399,961 Rentals and Leases 1.252,072 Printing and Reproduction 662,366 631,263 550,108 349,959 519,166 Federal Pass Through Expenditure 663,595 799,018 75,133 179,102 280,192 State Pass Through Expenditure 63,746.41 Depreciation 7,715,953 5,724,050 4,058,098 3,554,046 3,508,875 Bad Debt Expense 212,877 5,645 (5,155)63,444 4,956 Interest Expense 516 950 1,711 944 1,624 11,191,935 Scholarships 13,125,624 11,138,205 12,520,348 11,833,026 6,436 Claims and Settlements 45 5,631,531 <sup>(3)</sup> 5,481,912 9,455,750 9,679,949 Other Operating Expenses 8,472,881 \$160,686,656 \$145,310,764 \$131,056,548 \$131,869,826 \$132,574,886 **Total Operating Expenses** Operating Income (Loss) (\$58,090,832) (\$52,124,791) (\$49,289,625) (\$50,804,245) (\$54,392,392)

Table 3 - Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets (continued)

For Fiscal Years Ending August 31 2005 (1) 2007 2006 2004 (2) 2003 Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses): Legislative Revenue \$40,045,553 \$40,092,510 \$38,026,807 \$37,875,140 \$37,958,518 Additional Appropriations 9,824,597 9,590,476 8,886,299 9,083,776 10,279,375 Federal Pass Through Revenue 13,611 Gifts 2,247,463 2,298,280 2,399,512 1,948,462 1,884,933 Land Income 100 700 848,391 136,789 Investment Income (Pledged) 2,370,880 1,536,190 1,074,910 Investment Income (Non-Pledged) 369,273 291,448 460,561 273,564 684,691 Net Increase (Decrease) Fair Value 167,467 103,580 (233,699)(81,412)200,037 Investing Activities Expenses (16,753)(107, 183)(16,272)(1,266)(90,156)Interest on Loans Receivable 217,006 139,804 144,903 121,310 225,664 308 Interest on Capital Investments 1,302,184 Interest Expenses and Fiscal charges (396,692) (1,631,456)(3,487,419)(1,743,338)(1,021,076)Gain(Loss) on Sale of Capital Assets (16,040)(123,501)(42,260)(467,664)111,072 Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Capital Investments 99,154 20,000 Settlement of Claims 260,511 40,567 (359)Other Nonoperating Revenues 89,152 85,723 Other Nonoperating Expenses (10,630)(6,905)(1,151)30,128 \$52,106,930 \$49,922,439 \$49,252,119 \$49,652,821 Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) \$53,431,839 Income (Loss) before Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains/Losses and Transfers (5,983,902)1,307,048 632,814 (1,552,126)(4,739,571)Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains/Losses and Transfers Capital Contributions 1,795,674 182,168 6,633,109 Capital Appropriations (HEF) 4,683,847 4,683,847 6,633,109 6,633,109 Additions to Permanent & Term Endowments 835,173 551,399 582,393 657,016 801,377 Transfers-In/(Out) to other state agencies (854,614) (507.293)(227.476)(101.975)355,234 Total Other Revenue, Expenses, Gain/Losses \$6,460,080 \$4,727,953 \$6,988,026 \$7,188,150 \$7,971,888 and Transfers Change in Net Assets 6,035,001 476,178 7,620,840 5,636,024 3,232,317 Beginning Net Assets 112,615,541 108,454,259 115,410,271 107,089,945 104,244,150 Restatements: (14,576,852)2,684,302 (386,522)(1,873,719)Total Net Assets, September 1, 2007, as Restated \$112,615,541 \$106,580,540 \$100,833,419 \$109,774,247 \$103,857,628 \$113,091,719 \$112,615,541 \$108,454,259 \$115,410,271 \$107.089.945 Total Net Assets, August 31, 2007

Source: Unaudited Financial Report for the Year ended August 31, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, and 2003.

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  In 2005, the University began including statutory tuition as pledged tuition.

<sup>(2)</sup> In 2004, Discounts/Allowances were applied to tuition and fees only.

<sup>(3)</sup> Furniture, equipment and other controlled expenditures that do not meet capitalization thresholds were recognized as Other Operating Expenses until fiscal year ending August 31, 2006.

#### Funding for the University

Funding for the University for the Fiscal Year ended August 31, 2007 consisted of government appropriations; tuition and student fees; gifts, investment and endowment income; sales and services, and other sources; auxiliary enterprises; and other sources. The amounts and the sources of such funding vary from year to year; there is no guarantee that the source or amounts of such funding will remain the same in future years.

#### Tuition and Fee

Each Texas public university granting degrees charges tuition and fee as set by the State Legislature and the Board under Chapters 54 and 55 of the Texas Education Code. Prior to a change in law effective for the Fall 2003 semester, the amount charged by the University for tuition and the designated tuition fee was subject to a per-semester-credit-hour cap set by the Texas Legislature, which permitted undergraduate tuition applicable to State residents to be charged up to \$92 per semester credit hour for the 2003-2004 academic year, up to \$96 per semester credit hour for the 2004-2005 academic year, up to \$100 per semester credit hour in the 2005-2006 academic year and thereafter. Tuition and fee charges subsequent to deregulation for the 2007-08 academic year are comprised of "State Mandated Tuition" and "Board Designated Tuition," as further described below.

#### State Mandated Tuition

Section 54.0512, Texas Education Code, currently permits (i) undergraduate tuition applicable to state residents to be charged up to \$50 per semester credit hour for the 2007-08 academic year; and (ii) tuition of a non-resident student at a general academic teaching institution or medical and dental unit to be increased to an amount equal to the average of the non-resident undergraduate tuition charged to a resident of the State at a public state university in each of the five most populous states other than the State (the amount of which would be computed by the Coordinating Board for each academic year). For the 2007-08 academic year, the Coordinating Board computed \$328 per semester credit hour for non-resident undergraduate tuition. The tuition rates described above are referred to in this document as "State Mandated Tuition". Section 56.033 of the Texas Education Code requires that not less than 15% of each resident student's tuition charge and 3% of each non-resident student's tuition charge be set aside for Texas Public Education Grants. Section 56.095 of the Texas Education Code authorizes each institution to set aside \$2 for each semester hour for which a doctoral student is enrolled pursuant to the Doctoral Loan Incentive Program.

#### Board Designated Tuition

During the regular session of the 78th Texas Legislature that ended June 2, 2003, the Texas Legislature approved and the Governor signed into law House Bill 3015, which provided for the deregulation of a portion of tuition that a governing board of an institution of higher education, such as the Board, has the authority to charge under Section 54.0513 of the Texas Education Code. Effective with the tuition that was charged for the fall 2003 semester, a governing board may charge any student an amount (referred to as "Board Designated Tuition") that it considers necessary for the effective operation of the institution. The new legislation also granted authority to the governing board to set a different tuition rate for each program and course level offered by the institution. This new authority offers more opportunity for the University to develop a tuition schedule that assists in meeting its strategic objectives in terms of access, affordability, effective use of campus resources, and improvement of graduation rates. The Board has authorized the Board Designated Tuition rate, beginning with the 2008 fall semester, at \$97 per semester credit hour for all University students. No less than 20% of the Board designated tuition charged to resident undergraduate students in excess of \$46 per semester hour will be set aside to provide financial assistance to resident undergraduate students, consistent with the provisions of Texas Education Code, Section 56.011. No less than 15% of the Board Designated tuition charged to resident graduate students in excess of \$46 per semester hour will be set aside to provide financial assistance to resident graduate students, consistent with the provisions of Texas Education Code Section 56.012.

#### Board Authorized Tuition

Section 54.008 of the Texas Education Code permits the governing board of each institution to set tuition for graduate programs for that institution at a rate that is at least equal to that of the State Mandated tuition, but that is not more than twice that rate. Between the maximum and minimum rates, the Board may set the differential tuition among programs offered by an institution of higher education. The Board has set graduate tuition at an additional \$30 per semester hour for both resident and non-resident graduate University students.

Set forth below is a table showing the State Mandated tuition, Board Designated tuition, Board Authorized tuition, mandatory fees, and the amount set aside for financial assistance to resident and non-resident students for the 2007-08 academic year based on 15 semester credit hours per semester for undergraduate students and nine semester credit hours per semester for graduate students.

# State Mandated Tuition, Board Designated Tuition, Board Authorized Tuition, Mandatory Fees And Financial Set-Aside 2007-2008 Academic Year Based on 15 Credit Hours per Fall & Spring Semesters

	State Mandated	Board Designated	Board Authorized	Mandatory	Total Tuition	Financial Assistance
	Tuition	Tuition	Tuition	Fees	and Fees	Set-Aside (1)
Resident Undergraduate	\$750	\$1,455	\$0	\$876	\$3,081	\$266
Non-resident Undergraduate	4,920	1,275	0	591	6,786	148
Resident Masters	450	873	270	626	2,219	136
Non-resident Masters	2,952	873	270	626	4,721	89
Resident Doctoral	450	873	270	626	2,219	154
Non-resident Doctoral	2,952	873	270	626	4,721	107

(1) Total tuition and fees includes amounts required to be set aside for financial assistance according to Texas Education Code. The set-aside amounts are calculated as follows: from State Mandated tuition not less than 15% of each resident student's tuition charge and 3% of each non-resident student's tuition charge is set aside for Texas Public Education Grants (Section 56.033); \$2 for each semester hour for which a doctoral student is enrolled is set aside for the Doctoral Loan Incentive Program (Section 56.095); from Board Designated tuition no less than 20% charged to resident undergraduate students in excess of \$46 per semester hour (Section 56.011) and no less than 15% charged to resident graduate students in excess of \$46 per semester hour is set aside for financial assistance (Section 56.012). Of the set-aside from Board Designated tuition for resident undergraduate students, 5% is deposited in the State Treasury into the Texas B-On-Time Loan Program (Section 56.465).

The Board is authorized by Chapter 55 of the Texas Education Code to set the Pledged Revenues and any other necessary fees, rentals, rates, or other revenue funds of the Board at the level necessary, without limit, to enable the Board to meet its obligations with respect to the payment of debt service on the Parity Obligations. See "SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION - Pledged Revenues"

#### State Government Appropriations

The operations of the University are heavily dependent upon the continued support of the State through biennial appropriations of general revenues. The University receives a significant portion of its operating funds from State appropriations. The Board has no assurance that the Texas Legislature will continue to appropriate to the University the general revenue funds of the State at the same levels as in previous years. Future levels of State support are dependent upon the ability and willingness of the Texas Legislature to make appropriations to the University taking into consideration the availability of financial resources and other potential uses of such resources.

For fiscal years 2006 and 2007, State appropriations comprised approximately 27% of the Revenue Funds (as defined in the Resolution) of the University. See "Table 3 - Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets". The State Legislature finished its last regular session on May 28, 2007. State appropriations to most institutions of higher education (including the University) were flat compared to prior years.

#### Private Financial Support

In Fiscal Years 2005-2007, SFASU received contributions (gifts, grants and contracts) averaging \$2.3 million annually from the private sector.

Stephen F. Austin State University has initiated planning for a campaign to raise private gifts. Campaign goals are currently under development. No assurance can be given, however, that the goals will be achieved or that the timing and scope of such goals will not be altered.

#### Financing Programs

The Board, pursuant to constitutional and statutory provisions, is authorized to issue debt in a number of distinct forms with which to finance capital improvements. The University has another financing program in addition to the Revenue Financing System.

Higher Education Fund Bonds

Pursuant to the Higher Education Fund ("HEF") program, established by Article VII, Section 17 of the Texas Constitution, the University is qualified to receive an annual allocation from amounts constitutionally appropriated to institutions of higher education that are not entitled to participate in Permanent University Fund bond financing in order to fund permanent improvements (except those for auxiliary enterprises). Under this program, the Board is authorized to issue bonds and notes to finance permanent improvements at such institutions and to pledge up to 50% of its allocation to secure the payment of principal of and interest on the bonds and notes. The university does not have bonds outstanding under this program, but plans to issue HEF bonds for future funding needs. See – "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS – Additional Obligations."

#### Table 4 - Outstanding Indebtedness

The University after delivery of the Bonds will have outstanding the following described indebtedness:

Revenue Financing System Obligations (1)

Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 1998	\$ 3,965,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2000	2,000,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2002	11,090,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2002A	555,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2004	23,195,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2004A	4,895,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2005	16,020,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2005A	53,910,000
Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2008	20,175,000
TOTAL OBLIGATIONS	\$ 135,805,000

The University has a long range capital improvement plan to maintain and expand the facilities of the campus. At this time, the University has not determined the exact amount or timing of additional debt obligations, if any, to implement the capital improvement plan. However, see "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS – Additional Obligations" herein.

<sup>(1)</sup> October 15, 2007 principal payments not included.

#### **Investment Policy and Procedures**

#### Management of Investments

As provided in the Texas Education Code, each member of the Board has the legal responsibilities of a fiduciary in the management of funds under the control of the University. All investments are made in accordance with applicable State and federal regulations. The Board has provided for centralized investment management under the direction of the Vice President for Finance and Administration. Investments are managed both internally by University staff, and externally, by unaffiliated investment managers. The Board receives quarterly reports regarding asset allocation, investment returns, and comparative investment results and indices.

#### Authorized Investments

All available funds held by the University are authorized to be invested in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act and with the written investment policy of the Board. Investments are to be made with the judgment and care, under the circumstances then prevailing, that persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not in regard to speculation, but in regard to permanent disposition of their funds, considering the probable income therefrom as well as the probable increase in value and the safety of their capital. In the management of University investments, consideration is given to the requirements of liquidity, diversification, safety of principal, yield, maturity, quality, and capability of investment management, with primary emphasis on safety of principal.

#### Investment Programs

The University invests public funds in its custody with primary emphasis on the preservation and safety of the principal amount. Secondarily, investments must be of sufficient liquidity to meet the day-to-day cash requirements of the University. Finally, the University invests to maximize yield within the two previously indicated standards. All investments within this scope conform to applicable State statutes and local rules governing the investment of public funds. Deposits and investments in other than United States Treasury or Agency securities or money market funds invested in United States Treasury or Agency securities are secured by depository pledges of collateral with market value no less than 100% of the value of the deposits and investments. Diversification maximums and actual investment levels for eligible securities as of August 31, 2007 were:

	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Actual</u>
United States Treasury or Government securities	100.00%	51.45%
United States Agency securities	50.00%	0.00%
Mortgage-backed securities	25.00%	2.71%
Corporate Obligations	50.00%	1.04%
Fully insured or collateralized certificates of deposit	100.00%	22.50%
Bankers' acceptances	25.00%	0.00%
Commercial paper	25.00%	0.00%
Repurchase agreements	100.00%	3.07%
Registered money-market funds	100.00%	2.06%
Local Government Investment Pool	100.00%	0.24%
Equities	70.00%	16.92%

#### Endowments

Although not pledged to the payment of debt obligations, the University is benefited by endowments valued at August 31, 2007, of \$14,080,938. As of August 31, 2007, endowment funds under the direct control of the University had a book value of \$9,763,386 and consisted of marketable securities and investments.

#### Future Capital Improvement Needs and Projected Debt Issuance

During the 80th regular session of the Texas Legislature, legislators approved \$30,178,000 in funding for the University for Tuition Revenue Bonds for projects previously approved but not funded during the 79th legislative session. These projects included requests for funding for the Education Research Center and deferred maintenance projects. In October, 2007, the Board of Regents authorized the University to seek approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to build an Education Research Center at a project cost not to exceed \$28,000,000. The remaining project costs of the education research facility not funded with the proceeds of the Bonds will be funded with other

lawfully available funds, including portions of a future issuance of approximately \$8,000,000 in Higher Education Fund Bonds. The University also plans to issue \$10,000,000 in additional TRBs, for deferred maintenance projects, along with an additional \$13,000,000 of TRBs, authorized pursuant to Section 55.1768 of the Ed. Code, for the construction of a nursing facility.

#### **Debt Management**

Debt management of the University is the responsibility of the Vice President for Finance and Administration. The Vice President for Finance and Administration evaluates the University's financing needs pursuant to a debt capacity analysis and annual funding requirements determined by the capital budget. Once complete, a request for financing is submitted to the Authority. Issuance of debt requires approval of the Board, the Authority, and the Texas Bond Review Board.

#### SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The information contained in this section is a summary of certain provisions of the Resolution and is in addition to other information in such documents which is summarized elsewhere in this Official Statement under the captions "PLAN OF FINANCING", "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS", and "SECURITY FOR BONDS". This information is intended as a summary only and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete Resolution, which may be examined at the offices of the Authority or copies of which may be obtained from the Authority at 300 W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 411, Austin, Texas 78701.

#### Establishment of Revenue Financing System

The Revenue Financing System has been established to provide a consolidated financing structure for revenue-supported debt obligations of the Board, including the Bonds, which are to be issued for the benefit of Participants which are or will be included as part of the Revenue Financing System. The University is the only current Participant, but the Revenue Financing System may include other entities that are hereafter included as part of the University but only upon affirmative official action of the Board. Each issue or series of Parity Obligations is to be provided for under a separate resolution consistent with the provisions of the Resolution.

#### Security and Pledge; Membership in the Revenue Financing System

Subject to the provisions of the resolutions authorizing Prior Encumbered Obligations, Parity Obligations shall be secured by and payable from a lien on the Pledged Revenues, and the Board hereby assigns and pledges the Pledged Revenues to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on Parity Obligations, and the Pledged Revenues are further pledged to the establishment and maintenance of any funds which may be provided to secure the repayment of Parity Obligations in accordance with the Resolution. The Authority, upon approval and consent of the Board, may execute and deliver one or more Credit Agreements to additionally secure Parity Obligations. Credit Agreements may also be secured by a pledge of Pledged Revenues on a parity with or subordinate to Parity Obligations.

Certain institutions which may become Participants in the Financing System may be combined or divided and that so long as such combined or divided institutions continue to be governed by the Board such action shall not be in violation of the provisions of the Resolution or require any amendments of the provisions hereof. Subject to the conditions set forth below, any Participant in the Financing System or portion thereof may be closed and abandoned by law or may be removed from the Financing System (thus deleting the revenues, income, funds and balances attributable to said Participant or portion thereof from Pledged Revenues) without violating the terms of the Resolution provided: (1) the Board approves and delivers to the Authority an Officers' Certificate to the effect that, to the knowledge thereof, after the release of such Participant or portion thereof, the Board will have sufficient funds during each Fiscal Year in which Parity Obligations shall thereafter be Outstanding to meet the financial obligations of the Board, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Financing System; and (2) the Board and the Authority receive an Opinion of Counsel which shall state that such release will not affect the status for federal income tax purposes of interest on any Outstanding Parity Obligations and that all conditions precedent provided in the Resolution or any resolution hereafter adopted governing the issuance of Parity Obligations relating to such release have been complied with; and (3) (A) if the Participant or portion thereof to be released from the Financing System is to remain under the governance and control of the Board, the Board must either: (i) provide, from lawfully available funds, including Pledged Revenues attributable

to said withdrawing Participant, for the payment or discharge of said Participant's Direct Obligation; or (ii) pledge to the payment of Parity Obligation, additional resources not then pledged in an amount sufficient to satisfy such withdrawing Participant's Direct Obligation; or (B) if the Participant or portion thereof to be released from the Financing System is to no longer be under the governance and control of the Board and remains in operation independent of the Board, the Board must enter into a binding obligation with the new governing body of the withdrawing institution or the portion thereof being withdrawn, obligating said governing body to make payments to the Board at the times and in the amounts equal to said Participant's Annual Obligation or to pay or discharge said Participant's Direct Obligation, or, in the case of a portion of a Participant being withdrawn, the proportion of the Participant. (C) If, after the date of the adoption of the Resolution, the Board desires for an institution or agency governed by the Board to become a Participant of the Financing System, or if the Board is required by law to assume the governance of an institution or agency, it may include said institution or agency in the Financing System with the effect set forth in the Resolution by the adoption of a resolution amending the Resolution, which resolution shall be binding upon the Authority.

#### Annual and Direct Obligation of Participants

The Resolution provides that each Participant of the Revenue Financing System is responsible for its Direct Obligation. The Board covenants in the Resolution that in establishing the annual budget for each Participant of the Revenue Financing System, it will provide for the satisfaction by each Participant to its Annual Obligation.

#### Pledged Revenues

#### Tuition and Other Pledged Revenues

Subject to the provisions of the resolutions authorizing Prior Encumbered Obligations and to the other provisions of the resolution, the Board covenants and agrees to fix, levy, charge and collect at each Participant student tuition charges required or authorized by law to be imposed on students enrolled at each Participant (excepting, with respect to each series or issue of Parity Obligations, any student in a category which, at the time of adoption of a resolution relating to such Parity Obligations, is exempt by law or by the Board from paying such tuition charges). Each student (excluding those exempt from payment as provided above), enrolled at each Participant, respectively, at each regular fall and spring semester and at each term of each summer session, shall pay tuition charges in such amounts, without any limitation whatsoever, as will be sufficient at all times, together with other legally available funds, including other Pledged Revenues, to provide the money to make or pay the principal of, interest on, and other payments or deposits with respect to Outstanding Parity Obligations when and as required. All changes in the tuition charged students at each Participant shall be made by resolution of the Board, but such procedure shall not constitute or be regarded as an amendment of the resolution, but merely the carrying out of the provisions and requirements hereof.

#### Student Center Fees

Subject to the provisions of the resolution authorizing the University's Series 2004 Bonds, the Board covenants and agrees to fix, levy, charge and collect student center fees required or authorized by law to be imposed on students pursuant to Section 54.520 of the Texas Education Code for the purpose of paying debt service on the Series 2004 Bonds; provided however, that such student center fees shall be used only for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, renovating, operating, maintaining, improving, equipping, and financing a university center or additions to the center.

#### Student Recreational Sport Fees

Subject to the provisions of the resolution authorizing the University's Series 2005A Bonds, the Board covenants and agrees to fix, levy, charge and collect student recreational sport fees required or authorized by law to be imposed on students pursuant to Section 54.5201 of the Texas Education Code for the purpose of paying debt service on the Series 2005A Bonds; provided however, that such student recreational sport fees shall be used only to purchase equipment for and to construct, operate, and maintain recreational sports facilities and programs.

#### Annual Obligation

If, in the judgment of the Board, any Participant in the Financing System has been or will be unable to satisfy its Annual Obligation, the Board shall fix, levy, charge, and collect rentals, rates, fees, and charges for goods and services furnished

by such Participant and, with respect to Participants with enrolled students, tuition, effective at the next succeeding regular semester or semesters or summer term or terms, in amounts sufficient, without limit (subject to the provisions of (f), together with other legally available funds, including other Pledged Revenues attributable thereto, to enable it to make its Annual Obligation payments.

#### Anticipated Deficit

If the Board determines, for any reason whatsoever, that there are not anticipated to be legally available funds, including Pledged Revenues, sufficient to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Financing System including the deposits and payments due on or with respect to Outstanding Parity Obligations as the same mature or come due, or that any Participant in the Financing System will be unable to pay its Annual Direct Obligation in full, then the Board shall fix, levy, charge, and collect such rentals, rates, fees, tuition, or other charges at each Participant in the Financing System with enrolled students, effective at the next succeeding regular semester or semesters or summer term or terms, in such amounts, without any limitation whatsoever (other than as provided in subsection (f), as will be at least sufficient to provide, together with other legally available funds, including Pledged Revenues, the money for making when due all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Financing System including all payments and deposits due on or with respect to Outstanding Parity Obligations when and as required by the Resolution.

#### Economic Effect of Adjustments

Any adjustments in the rate or manner of charging for any rentals, rates, fees, tuition, or other charges included in Pledged Revenues at any Participant in the Financing System resulting from an event described in subsection (e) will be based upon a certificate and recommendation of the Designated Financial Officer, delivered to the Board, as to the rates and anticipated collection of the Pledged Revenues at each Participant in the Financing System (after taking into account the anticipated effect the proposed adjustments in such rentals, rates, fees, tuition, or other charges would have on enrollment and the receipt of Pledged Revenues and other funds at each Participant in the Financing System) which will be anticipated to result in: (i) Pledged Revenues attributable to each Participant being sufficient (to the extent possible) to satisfy the Annual Obligation of such Participant; and (ii) Pledged Revenues being sufficient, together with other legally available funds, to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Financing System including all deposits and payments due on or with respect to: (A) the Prior Encumbered Obligations; and (B) all Outstanding Parity Obligations, when and as required by the Resolution.

#### Payment and Funds

The Board has covenanted in the Resolution to make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar for Parity Obligations, on or before each payment date, money sufficient to pay any and all amounts due on such Parity Obligations on such payment date.

The Resolution allows the Board to establish one or more reserve funds or accounts to further secure any Parity Obligations. Currently, the Board has not established a reserve fund to secure the payment of the Parity Obligations.

#### Additional Parity Obligations; Non-Recourse Debt and Subordinated Debt

In the Resolution, the Board reserves the right to issue or incur additional Parity Obligations for any purpose authorized by law. The Board may incur, assume, guarantee, or otherwise become liable in respect of additional Parity Obligations if the Board determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of the University, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing University and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System.

In addition, the Board covenants not to issue or incur Parity Obligations unless (i) it determines that the Participant or Participants for whom Parity Obligations are being issued or incurred possesses the financial capacity to satisfy their respective Direct Obligations, after taking into account the then proposed additional Parity Obligations, and (ii) a Designated Financial Officer delivers to the Board a certificate stating that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the Board is in compliance with all covenants contained in the Resolution and any supplemental resolution authorizing outstanding Parity Obligations, and is not in default in the performance and observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions thereof.

The Board has reserved the right to issue without limit debt secured by a lien other than a lien on Pledged Revenues and debt which expressly provides that all payments thereon will be subordinated to the timely payment of all Parity Obligations.

#### **Participants**

Combination or Release of Participants

The Resolution recognizes that the State may combine or divide Participant institutions and provides that so long as the combined or divided institutions continue to be governed by the Board such action must not violate the Resolution or require any amendment thereof. The Resolution also provides that subject to the conditions set forth below, any Participant or portion thereof may be closed and abandoned by law or may be removed from the Revenue Financing System (thus deleting the revenues, income, funds, and balances attributable to said Participant or portion thereof from the Pledged Revenues) without violating the terms of the Resolution provided:

- (1) the Board specifically finds that (based upon a certificate of a Designated Financial Official to such effect) after the release of the Participant or portion thereof, the Board will have sufficient funds during each Fiscal Year in which Parity Obligations will thereafter be outstanding to meet the financial obligations of the Revenue Financing System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System; and
- (2) the Board and the Authority have received an Opinion of Bond Counsel which states that such release will not affect the status for federal income tax purposes of interest on any Outstanding Parity Obligations and that all conditions precedent provided in the Resolution or any supplement relating to such release have been complied with; and
- (3) (A) if the Participant or portion thereof to be released from the Revenue Financing System is to remain under the governance and control of the Board, the Board must either (i) provide, from lawfully available funds, including Pledged Revenues attributable to said withdrawing Participant, for the payment or discharge of said Participant's Direct Obligations or (ii) pledge to the payment of Parity Obligations, additional resources not then pledged in an amount sufficient to satisfy such withdrawing Participant's Direct Obligations; or (B) if the Participant or portion thereof to be released from the Revenue Financing System is to no longer be under the governance and control of the Board and remains in operation independent of the Board, the Board must receive a binding obligation of the new governing body of the withdrawing institution or the portion thereof being withdrawn, obligating said governing body to make payments to the Board at the times and in the amounts equal to said Participant's Annual Obligations or to pay or discharge said Participant's Direct Obligations, or, in the case of a portion of a Participant being withdrawn, the proportion of the Participant's Annual Obligation or Direct Obligation, as the case may be, attributable to the withdrawing portion of the Participant.

#### Disposition of Assets

In the Resolution, the Board has reserved the right to convey, sell, or otherwise dispose of any properties of the Board attributable to a Participant of the Revenue Financing System, provided that:

- (1) such disposition must occur in the ordinary course of business of the Participants of the Revenue Financing System responsible for such properties; or
- (2) the Board determines that after the disposition, the Board has sufficient funds during each Fiscal Year during which Parity Obligations are to be Outstanding to meet the financial obligations of each Participant in the Revenue Financing System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all other financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System.

#### Admission of Participants

If, after the date of the adoption of the Resolution, the Board desires for a university or agency governed by the Board to become a Participant of the Revenue Financing System, it may include said university or agency in the Revenue Financing System with the effect set forth in the Resolution by the adoption of an amendment to the Resolution.

#### **Certain Covenants**

#### Rate Covenant

In each Fiscal Year, the Board must establish, charge, and use its reasonable efforts to collect from each Participant the Pledged Revenues which, if collected would be sufficient to meet all financial obligations of the Board for such Fiscal Year relating to the Revenue Financing System including all deposits or payments due on or with respect to (i) the Prior Encumbered Obligations and (ii) all Outstanding Parity Obligations.

#### **Tuition**

The Board covenants and agrees in the Resolution to fix, levy, charge, and collect at each Participant student tuition charges required or authorized by law to be imposed on students enrolled at each Participant (excepting, with respect to each series or issue of Parity Obligations, any student in a category which, at the time of adoption of a resolution relating to such Parity Obligations, is exempt by law or by the Board from paying such tuition charges). Each student (excluding those exempt from payment as provided above), enrolled at each Participant, respectively, at each regular fall and spring semester and at each term of each summer session, must pay tuition charges in such amounts, without any limitation whatsoever, as will be sufficient at all times, together with other legally available funds, including other Pledged Revenues, to provide the money to make or pay the principal of, interest on, and other payments or deposits with respect to Outstanding Parity Obligations when and as required. All changes in the tuition charged students at each Participant must be made by resolution of the Board, but such procedure will not constitute or be regarded as an amendment of the Resolution, but merely the carrying out of the provisions and requirements thereof.

#### General Covenants

The Board has additionally covenanted in the Resolution: (i) to faithfully perform all covenants and provisions contained in the Resolution, and in each Parity Obligation; (ii) to call for redemption all Parity Obligations, in accordance with their terms, which are subject to mandatory redemption; (iii) that it lawfully owns, has title to, or is lawfully possessed of the land, buildings, and facilities which comprise the University and to defend such title for the benefit of the owners of the Parity Obligations; (iv) that it is lawfully qualified to pledge the Pledged Revenues to the payment of the Parity Obligations; (v) to maintain and preserve the property financed through the Revenue Financing System; (vi) not to incur any additional Debt secured by the Pledged Revenues except as permitted in the Resolution; (vii) to invest and secure money held in funds and accounts established under the Resolution in accordance with law and written policies of the Board; (viii) to keep proper books and records and account for the Revenue Financing System and to cause to be prepared annual financial reports of the Revenue Financing System and to furnish such report, to the Authority, appropriate municipal bond rating agencies and, upon request, owners of Parity Obligations; and (ix) to permit any owner or owners of 25% or more of Outstanding Principal Amount of Parity Obligations at all reasonable times to inspect all records, accounts, and data of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System.

#### Special Obligations

The Resolution provides that all Parity Obligations and the interest thereon constitute special obligations of the Board payable from the Pledged Revenues, and the owners thereof never have the right to demand payment out of funds raised or to be raised by taxation, or from any source other than specified in the Resolution. The obligation of the Board to pay or cause to be paid the amounts payable under the Resolution out of the Pledged Revenues is absolute, irrevocable, complete, and unconditional, and the amount, manner and time of payment of such amounts may not be decreased, abated, rebated, setoff, reduced, abrogated, waived, diminished, or otherwise modified in any manner or to any extent whatsoever.

#### Waiver of Covenants

The Board may omit in any particular instance to comply with any covenant or condition set forth above as a general covenant or with its rate covenant, its covenants relating to issuance of Parity Obligations, its covenants governing disposition of Participant assets, or its covenants relating to admission and release of Participants if the holders of at least 51% of all Parity Obligations outstanding waive such compliance.

#### Remedies

Any owner of Parity Obligations in the event of default in connection with any covenant contained in the Resolution or default in the payment of said obligations, or of any interest due thereof, or other costs and expenses related thereto, may require the Board, the Authority, their respective officials and employees, and any appropriate official of the State, to carry out, respect, or enforce the covenants and obligations of the Resolution by all legal and equitable means, including specifically, but without limitation, the use and filing of mandamus proceedings in any court of competent jurisdiction against the Board, its officials and employees, the Authority, or any appropriate official of the State. The principal of the Bonds cannot be accelerated in the event of default, and the Board has not granted a lien on any physical property which may be levied or foreclosed against.

#### Amendment of Resolution

Amendment Without Consent

The Resolution and the rights and obligations of the Authority, the Board and of the owners of the Outstanding Parity Obligations may be modified or amended at any time without notice to or the consent of any owner of the Parity Obligations, solely for any one or more of the following purposes:

- (i) To add to the covenants and agreements of the Board or the Authority contained in the Resolution, other covenants and agreement thereafter to be observed, or to surrender any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the Board or the Authority in the Resolution;
- (ii) To cure any ambiguity or inconsistency, or to cure or correct any defective provisions contained in the Resolution, upon receipt by the Board and the Authority of any approving opinion of Bond Counsel, that the same is needed for such purpose, and will more clearly express the intent of the Resolution;
- (iii) To supplement the security for the Parity Obligations to provide for the additions of new institutions and agencies to the Revenue Financing System or to clarify the provisions regarding the University as a Participant in the Revenue Financing System; provided, however, that any amendment to the definition of Pledged Revenues which results in the pledge of additional resources may limit the amount of such additional pledge and the manner, extent, and duration of such additional pledge all as set forth in such amendment;
- (iv) To make any changes or amendments requested by any bond rating agency then rating or requested to rate Parity Obligations, as a condition to the issuance or maintenance of a rating, which changes or amendments do not, in the judgment of the Board and the Authority, materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of the Parity Obligations;
- (v) To make such changes, modifications, or amendments as may be necessary or desirable, which will not adversely affect the interests of the owners of the Outstanding Parity Obligations, in order, to the extent permitted by law, to facilitate the economic and practical utilization of Credit Agreements with respect to the Parity Obligations;
- (vi) To make such other changes in the provisions of the Resolution as the Board and the Authority may deem necessary or desirable and which does not, in the judgment of the Board and the Authority, materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of Outstanding Parity Obligations; or
- (vii) To make such other amendments as necessary to comply with the Rule.

#### Amendments With Consent

Subject to the other provisions of the Resolution, the owners of Parity Obligations aggregating 51% in Outstanding Principal Amounts have the right from time to time to approve any amendment, other than amendments described in the foregoing paragraph, to the Resolution, which may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Board; provided, however, that no provision may permit or be construed to permit, without the approval of the owners of all of the Outstanding Parity Obligations, the amendment of the terms and conditions in the Resolution so as to:

- (i) Grant to the owners of any Outstanding Parity Obligations a priority over the owners of any other Outstanding Parity Obligations;
- (ii) Materially adversely affect the rights of the owners of less than all Parity Obligations then Outstanding;
- (iii) Change the minimum percentage of the Outstanding Principal Amount necessary for consent to such amendment;
- (iv) Make any change in the maturity of the Outstanding Bonds;
- (v) Reduce the rate of interest borne by the Outstanding Bonds;
- (vi) Reduce the amount of principal payable on the Outstanding Bonds;
- (vii) Modify the terms of payment of principal of or interest on the Outstanding Bonds, or impose any conditions with respect to such payment; or
- (viii) Adversely affect the tax exempt status of the interest on the Outstanding Bonds to the owners thereof.

#### Defeasance

The Resolution provides for the defeasance of the Bonds and the termination of the pledge of revenues and all other general defeasance covenants in the Resolution under certain circumstances. Any Bond and the interest thereon shall be deemed to be paid, retired and no longer outstanding (a "Defeased Obligation") within the meaning of the Resolution, except to the extent provided below for the Paying Agent to continue payments and for the Authority to retain the right to call (1) Defeased Obligations to be paid at maturity, when the payment of all principal and interest payable with respect to such Bond to the due date or dates thereof (whether such due date or dates be by reason of maturity, upon redemption, or otherwise either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof (including the giving of any required notice of redemption) or (ii) shall have been provided for on or before such due date by irrevocably depositing with or making available to the Paying Agent for such payment, (2) Defeasance Securities (defined below) that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will ensure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to provide for such payment and when proper arrangements have been made by the Authority with the Paying Agent for the payment of its services until after all Defeased Obligations shall have become due and payable or (3) any combination of (1) and (2). At such time as a Bond shall be deemed to be a Defeased Obligation, such Bond and the interest thereon shall no longer be secured by, payable from, or entitled to the benefits of, the revenues pledged as provided in the Resolution, and such principal and interest shall be payable solely from such money or Defeasance Securities.

The deposit under clause (1) (ii) shall be deemed a payment of a Bond when proper notice of redemption of such Bonds shall have been given, in accordance with the Resolution. Any money so deposited with the Paying Agent may at the discretion of the Authority also be invested in Defeasance Securities, maturing in the amounts and at the times as set forth in the Resolution, and all income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent that is not required for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be turned over to the Authority.

All money or Defeasance Securities set aside and held in trust pursuant to the provisions of the Resolution for the payment of principal of the Bonds and premium, if any, and interest thereon, shall be applied to and used solely for the payment of the particular Bonds and premium, if any, and interest thereon, with respect to which such money or Defeasance Securities have been so set aside in trust. Until all Defeased Obligations shall have become due and payable,

the Paying Agent shall perform the services of Registrar for such Defeased Obligations the same as if they had not been defeased, and the Authority shall make proper arrangements to provide and pay for such services as required by the Resolution.

If money or Defeasance Securities have been deposited or set aside with the Paying Agent for the payment of Bonds and such Bonds shall not have in fact been actually paid in full, no amendment of the defeasance provisions of the Resolution shall be made without the consent of the registered owner of each Bond affected thereby.

To the extent that, upon the defeasance of any Defeased Obligation to be paid at its maturity, the Authority retains the right under Texas law to later call that Defeased Obligation for redemption in accordance with the provisions of the order authorizing its issuance, the Authority may call such Defeased Obligation for redemption upon complying with the provisions of Texas law and upon the satisfaction of the provisions set forth above regarding such Defeased Obligation as through it was being defeased at the time of the exercise of the option to redeem the Defeased Obligation and the effect of the redemption is taken into account in determining the sufficiency of the provisions made for the payment of the Defeased Obligation.

Any escrow agreement or other instrument entered into between the Authority and the Paying Agent pursuant to which money and/or Defeasance Securities are held by the Paying Agent for the payment of Defeased Obligations may contain provisions permitting the investment or reinvestment of such moneys in Defeasance Securities or the substitution of other Defeasance Securities upon the satisfaction of certain requirements. All income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent which is not required for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, will be remitted to the Authority.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

The delivery of the Bonds is subject to the approval of the Attorney General of Texas to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding special obligations of the Authority issued on behalf of the University secured by and payable from the Pledged Revenues, such lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues being subordinate only to the lien on and pledge of certain of the Pledged Revenues securing any outstanding Prior Encumbered Obligations, and the approving legal opinion of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel, to the effect that the Bonds, issued in compliance with the provisions of the Resolution, are valid and legally binding obligations of the District and, subject to the qualifications set forth herein under "TAX MATTERS", the interest on the Bonds is exempt from federal income taxation under existing statutes, published rulings, regulations, and court decisions. The form of Bond Counsel's opinion is attached hereto as Appendix C. Bond Counsel was engaged by, and only represents, the Authority. In its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the statements and information appearing under captions "PLAN OF FINANCING," "DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS" (except under the subcaption "Book-Entry-Only System" and "Sources and Uses of Funds"), "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS," "SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION," "LEGAL MATTERS," "TAX MATTERS," "LEGAL INVESTMENTS IN TEXAS" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except under the subcaption "Compliance with Prior Agreements") and such firm is of the opinion that the statements and information contained under such captions and subcaptions provides an accurate and fair description of the Bonds and the Resolution and are correct as to matters of law. The legal fee to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. The legal opinion of Bond Counsel will accompany the Bonds deposited with DTC or will be printed on the definitive Bonds in the event of the discontinuance of the Book-Entry-Only System.

The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds express the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinions as to the legal issues explicitly addressed therein. In rendering a legal opinion, the attorney does not become an insurer or guarantor of the transaction opined upon, or of the future performance of the parties to the transaction, nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction.

#### Forward Looking Statements

The statements contained in this Official Statement, and in any other information provided by the University, that are not purely historical, are forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the University's expectations, hopes, intentions or strategies regarding the future.

Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to the University on the date hereof, and the University and the Authority assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement would prove to be accurate.

#### TAX MATTERS

#### Tax Exemption

The delivery of the Bonds is subject to the opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes (1) will be excludable from gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date of such opinion (the "Code"), pursuant to section 103(a) of the Code and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions, and (2) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of the owners thereof who are individuals or, except as hereinafter described, corporations. A form of Bond Counsel's opinion is reproduced as Appendix C. The statutes, regulations, rulings, and court decisions on which such opinion is based are subject to change.

Interest on all tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds, owned by a corporation will be included in such corporation's adjusted current earnings for tax years beginning after 1989, for purposes of calculating the alternative minimum taxable income of such corporation, other than an S corporation, a qualified mutual fund, a real estate investment trust, a real estate mortgage investment conduit, or a financial asset securitization investment trust ("FASIT"). A corporation's alternative minimum taxable income is the basis on which the alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Code will be computed.

In rendering the foregoing opinions, Bond Counsel will rely upon representations and certifications of the University and the Authority made in a certificate dated the date of delivery of the Bonds pertaining to the use, expenditure, and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds and will assume continuing compliance by the University and the Authority with the provisions of the Resolution subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds. The Resolution contains covenants by the University and the Authority with respect to, among other matters, the use of the proceeds of the Bonds and the facilities financed therewith by persons other than state or local governmental units, the manner in which the proceeds of the Bonds are to be invested, the periodic calculation and payment to the United States Treasury of arbitrage "profits" from the investment of proceeds, and the reporting of certain information to the United States Treasury. Failure to comply with any of these covenants would cause interest on the Bonds to be includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income taxes from date of the issuance of the Bonds.

Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result, but represents its legal judgment based upon its review of existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions and the representations and covenants of the University and the Authority described above. No ruling has been sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") with respect to the matters addressed in the opinion of Bond Counsel, and Bond Counsel's opinion is not binding on the Service. The Service has an ongoing program of auditing the tax-exempt status of the interest on tax-exempt obligations. If an audit of the Bonds is commenced, under current procedures the Service is likely to treat the Authority as the "taxpayer," and the Owners would have no right to participate in the audit process. In responding to or defending an audit of the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Bonds, the University and the Authority may have different or conflicting interests from the Owners. Public awareness of any future audit of the Bonds could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Bonds during the pendency of the audit, regardless of its ultimate outcome.

Except as described above, Bond Counsel expresses no other opinion with respect to any other federal, state or local tax consequences under present law, or proposed legislation, resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or the

acquisition or disposition of, the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations such as the Bonds may result in collateral federal tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, life insurance companies, property and casualty insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit, owners of an interest in a FASIT, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations. Prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability of these consequences to their particular circumstances.

#### Tax Accounting Treatment of Discount and Premium on Certain Bonds

The initial public offering price of certain Bonds (the "Discount Bonds") may be less than the amount payable on such Bonds at maturity. An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Discount Bond (assuming that a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes original issue discount to the initial purchaser of such Discount Bond. A portion of such original issue discount allocable to the holding period of such Discount Bond by the initial purchaser will, upon the disposition of such Discount Bond (including by reason of its payment at maturity), be treated as interest excludable from gross income, rather than as taxable gain, for federal income tax purposes, on the same terms and conditions as those for other interest on the Bonds described above under "Tax Exemption." Such interest is considered to be accrued actuarially in accordance with the constant interest method over the life of a Discount Bond, taking into account the semiannual compounding of accrued interest, at the yield to maturity on such Discount Bond and generally will be allocated to an original purchaser in a different amount from the amount of the payment denominated as interest actually received by the original purchaser during the tax year.

However, such interest may be required to be taken into account in determining the alternative minimum taxable income of a corporation, for purposes of calculating a corporation's alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Code, and the amount of the branch profits tax applicable to certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment. In addition, the accrual of such interest may result in certain other collateral federal income tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, life insurance companies, property and casualty insurance companies, S corporations with "subchapter C" earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations. Moreover, in the event of the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of a Discount Bond by the initial owner prior to maturity, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Discount Bond in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Discount Bond was held) is includable in gross income.

Owners of Discount Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of accrued original issue discount on Discount Bonds for federal income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Discount Bonds. It is possible that, under applicable provisions governing determination of state and local income taxes, accrued interest on Discount Bonds may be deemed to be received in the year of accrual even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

The initial public offering price of certain Bonds (the "Premium Bonds") may be greater than the amount payable on such Bonds at maturity. An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Premium Bond (assuming that a substantial amount of the Premium Bonds of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes premium to the initial purchaser of such Premium Bonds. The basis for federal income tax purposes of a Premium Bond in the hands of such initial purchaser must be reduced each year by the amortizable bond premium, although no federal income tax deduction is allowed as a result of such reduction in basis for amortizable bond premium. Such reduction in basis will increase the amount of any gain (or decrease the amount of any loss) to be recognized for federal income tax purposes upon a sale or other taxable disposition of a Premium Bond. The amount of premium which is amortizable each year by an initial purchaser is determined by using such purchaser's yield to maturity.

Purchasers of the Premium Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of amortizable bond premium on Premium Bonds for federal income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Premium Bonds.

#### LEGAL INVESTMENTS IN TEXAS

Section 1201.041 of the Public Security Procedures Act (Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code) provides that the Bonds are negotiable instruments governed by Chapter 8, Texas Business & Commerce Code, and are legal and authorized investments for insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for the sinking fund of municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State of Texas. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Bonds are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with at least \$1 million of capital and savings and loan associations. The Bonds are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the state, its agencies and political subdivisions, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their market value. For political subdivisions in Texas which have adopted investment policies and guidelines in accordance with the Public Funds Investments Act ("PFIA"), the Bonds may have to be assigned a rating of "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency before such obligations are eligible investments for sinking funds and other public funds.

Neither the Authority nor the University has made any investigation of other laws, rules, regulations or investment criteria which might apply to such institutions or entities or which might limit the suitability of the Bonds for any of the foregoing purposes or limit the authority of such institutions or entities to purchase or invest in the Bonds for such purposes. Neither the Authority nor the University has made any review of laws in other states to determine whether the Bonds are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

# **RATINGS**

The presently outstanding Revenue Financing System debt of the University is rated "A2" and "A+" by Moody's Investor Service, Inc. ("Moody's") and Fitch Ratings ("Fitch"), respectively. The Bonds have been rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by Fitch with the understanding that upon delivery of the Bonds, a municipal bond insurance policy insuring the timely payment of principal and of interest on the Bonds will be issued by Financial Security Assurance Inc. (see "BOND INSURANCE"). An explanation of the significance of each such rating may be obtained from the company furnishing the rating. The ratings reflect only the views of such organizations at the time the ratings are given, and the Board makes no representation as to the appropriateness of the ratings. There is no assurance that such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by such rating companies, if circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of either rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

#### **BOND INSURANCE**

The following information has been provided by Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("Financial Security" or the "Insurer") for use in this Official Statement in connection with the Bonds. No representation is made by the Authority, the University, or the Initial Purchaser of the Bonds as to (a) the accuracy or adequacy of the information about the Insurer that is included herein directly or by reference or (b) the absence of material adverse changes affecting the Insurer since the date of such information.

# **Bond Insurance Policy**

Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, Financial Security Assurance Inc. ("Financial Security") will issue its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy for the Bonds (the "Policy"). The Policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due as set forth in the form of the Policy included as Appendix D to this Official Statement.

The Policy is not covered by any insurance security or guaranty fund established under New York, California, Connecticut or Florida insurance law.

# Financial Security Assurance Inc.

Financial Security is a New York domiciled financial guaranty insurance company and a wholly owned subsidiary of Financial Security Assurance Holdings Ltd. ("Holdings"). Holdings is an indirect subsidiary of Dexia, S.A., a publicly held Belgian corporation, and of Dexia Credit Local, a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Dexia, S.A. Dexia, S.A., through its bank

subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the business of public finance, banking and asset management in France, Belgium and other European countries. No shareholder of Holdings or Financial Security is liable for the obligations of Financial Security. At September 30, 2007, Financial Security's combined policyholders' surplus and contingency reserves were approximately \$2,691,965,000 and its total net unearned premium reserve was approximately \$2,201,808,000 in accordance with statutory accounting principles. At September 30, 2007, Financial Security's consolidated shareholder's equity was approximately \$2,975,654,000 and its total net unearned premium reserve was approximately \$1,721,678,000 in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The consolidated financial statements of Financial Security included in, or as exhibits to, the annual and quarterly reports filed after December 31, 2006 by Holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission are hereby incorporated by reference into this Official Statement. All financial statements of Financial Security included in, or as exhibits to, documents filed by Holdings pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of this Official Statement and before the termination of the offering of the Bonds shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this Official Statement. Copies of materials incorporated by reference will be provided upon request to Financial Security Assurance Inc.: 31 West 52nd Street, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Communications Department (telephone (212) 826-0100).

The Policy does not protect investors against changes in market value of the Bonds, which market value may be impaired as a result of changes in prevailing interest rates, changes in applicable ratings or other causes. Financial Security makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. Financial Security makes no representation regarding the Official Statement, nor has it participated in the preparation thereof, except that Financial Security has provided to the Authority the information presented under this caption for inclusion in the Official Statement.

# CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In the Resolution, the Board, as the obligated party on the Bonds, has made the following agreement for the benefit of the Authority and the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The Board is required to observe its agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Bonds. Under the agreement, the Board will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of specified material events, to certain information vendors. This information will be available to securities brokers and others who subscribe to receive the information from the vendors.

# **Annual Reports**

The Board will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to certain information vendors annually. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the University of the general type included in this Official Statement under the heading(s) "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS - TABLE 1 - Pledged Revenues", "STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY" and "SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION" and in APPENDIX B. The Board will update and provide this information within 180 days after the end of each Fiscal Year. The Board will provide the updated information to the Authority and each nationally recognized municipal securities information repository ("NRMSIR") and to any state information depository ("SID") that is designated by the State of Texas and approved by the staff of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

The Board may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by the Rule. The updated information will include annual audited financial statements for the University, if the Board commissions an audit and it is completed by the required time. If audited financial statements are not available by the required time, the Board will provide unaudited statements and audited financial statements when and if such audited financial statements become available. Any such financial statements of the University will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Appendix B hereof or such other accounting principles as the Board may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation. It is not expected that the Board will commission an audit. Hence, unaudited financial statements, as shown in Appendix B, are expected to be provided. However, the University is audited as part of the State of Texas audit, but separate financial statements are not available.

The State's current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, the Board must provide updated information within 180 days following August 31 of each year, unless the State changes its fiscal year. If the State changes its fiscal year, the Board will notify each NRMSIR and any SID of the change.

#### **Material Event Notices**

The Board will also provide timely notices of certain events to certain information vendors. The Board will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if such event is material to a decision to purchase or sell Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds; (8) Bond calls; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds; and (11) rating changes. Neither the Bonds nor the Resolution make any provision for debt service reserves, credit enhancement or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the Board will provide timely notice of any failure by the Board to provide information, data, or financial reports in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports." The Board will provide each notice described in this paragraph to any SID and to either each NRMSIR or the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB").

# Availability of Information from NRMSIRs and SID

The Board has agreed to provide the foregoing information only to NRMSIRs and any SID. The information will be available to holders of Bonds only if the holders comply with the procedures and pay the charges established by such information vendors or obtain the information through securities brokers who do so.

The Municipal Advisory Council of Texas (the "MAC") has been designated by the State as a SID and the SEC staff has determined that the MAC is a qualified SID. The address of the Municipal Advisory Council is 600 West 8th Street, P. O. Box 2177, Austin, Texas 78768-2177, and its telephone number is 512/476-6947. The MAC has also received SEC approval to operate, and has begun to operate, a "central post office" for information filings made by municipal issuers, such as the Board. A municipal issuer may submit its information filings with the central post office, which then transmits such information to the NRMSIRs and the appropriate SID for filing. This central post office can be accessed and utilized at www.DisclosureUSA.org ("DisclosureUSA"). The Board may utilize DisclosureUSA for the filing of information relating to the Bonds.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

The Board has agreed to update information and to provide notices of material events only as described above. The Board has not agreed to provide other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of its financial results of operations, condition, or prospects or agreed to update any information that is provided, except as described above. The Board makes no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date. The Board disclaims any contractual or tort liability of damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its continuing disclosure agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although holders of Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the Board to comply with its agreement.

The Board may amend its continuing disclosure agreement from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the Board, if (i) the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the offering described herein in compliance with the rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (ii) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds consent to the amendment or (b) any person unaffiliated with the Board (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The Board may also amend or repeal its continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of said rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling the Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds. If the Board so amends the agreement, it has agreed to include with the next financial information and operating data provided in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports" an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information and operating data so provided.

#### Compliance with Prior Agreements

The Board and the Authority are in full compliance with all other continuing disclosure agreements made in accordance with the Rule.

#### INITIAL PURCHASER

After requesting competitive bids for the Bonds, the Authority accepted the bid of Southwest Securities, Inc. (the "Initial Purchaser") to purchase the Bonds at the interest rates shown on the cover page of this Official Statement at a price of \$20,275,875.00 (representing the par amount of the Bonds plus a premium on the Bonds of \$100,875.00). The Initial Purchaser can give no assurance that any trading market will be developed for the Bonds after their sale by the Authority to the Initial Purchaser. The Authority has no control over the price at which the Bonds are subsequently sold and the initial yield at which the Bonds will be priced and reoffered will be established by and will be the responsibility of the Initial Purchaser. The Initial Purchaser is responsible for the purchase of the Policy from Financial Security Assurance, Inc.

# FINANCIAL ADVISOR

First Southwest Company is employed as Financial Advisor to the Authority in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Bonds. First Southwest Company has agreed, in its Financial Advisory contract, not to bid for the Bonds, either independently or as a member of a syndicate organized to submit a bid for the Bonds. First Southwest Company, in its capacity as Financial Advisor, does not assume any responsibility for the information, covenants and representations contained in any of the legal documents with respect to the federal income tax status of the Bonds, or the possible impact of any present, pending or future actions taken by any legislative or judicial bodies.

The Financial Advisor to the Authority has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the Authority and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

# AUTHENTICITY OF FINANCIAL DATA AND OTHER INFORMATION

The financial data and other information contained herein have been obtained from the Board's and the Authority's records, unaudited financial statements and other sources that are believed to be reliable. There is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. All of the summaries of the statutes, documents, and resolutions contained in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such statutes, documents, and resolution. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such documents for further information. Reference is made to original documents in all respects.

The Resolution will approve the form and content of this Official Statement, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto issued on behalf of the Authority, and authorize its further use in the reoffering of the Bonds by the Purchaser.

This Official Statement has been approved by the Authority and the Board for distribution in accordance with the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Commission's rule codified at 17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c2 12, as amended.

/S/ Kimberly K. Edwards Kimberly K. Edwards, Executive Director Texas Public Finance Authority /S/ L. Baker Pattillo
Dr. L. Baker Pattillo, President, Board of Regents
Stephen F. Austin State University

# APPENDIX A

# **DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Official Statement the following terms and expressions shall have the meanings set forth below, unless the text hereof specifically indicates otherwise:

"Annual Debt Service Requirements" means, for any Fiscal Year, the principal of and interest on all Parity Obligations coming due at Maturity or Stated Maturity (or that could come due on demand of the owner thereof other than by acceleration or other demand conditioned upon default by the Board on such Debt, or be payable in respect of any required purchase of such Debt by the Board) in such Fiscal Year, and, for such purposes, any one or more of the following rules shall apply at the election of the Board:

- (1) <u>Committed Take Out</u>. If the Board, or the Authority on behalf of the Board, has entered into a Credit Agreement constituting a binding commitment within normal commercial practice to discharge any of its Funded Debt at its Stated Maturity (or, if due on demand, at any date on which demand may be made) or to purchase any of its Funded Debt at any date on which such Debt is subject to required purchase, all under arrangements whereby the obligation to repay the amounts advanced for such discharge or purchase constitutes Funded Debt, then the portion of the Funded Debt committed to be discharged or purchased shall be excluded from such calculation and the principal of and interest on the Funded Debt incurred for such discharging or purchase that would be due in the Fiscal Year for which the calculation is being made, if incurred at the Stated Maturity or purchase date of the Funded Debt to be discharged or purchased, shall be added;
- (2) <u>Balloon Debt</u>. If the principal (including the accretion of interest resulting from original issue discount or compounding of interest) of any series or issue of Funded Debt due (or payable in respect of any required purchase of such Funded Debt by the Board) in any Fiscal Year either is equal to at least 25% of the total principal (including the accretion of interest resulting from original issue discount or compounding of interest) of such Funded Debt or exceeds by more than 50% the greatest amount of principal of such series or issue of Funded Debt due in any preceding or succeeding Fiscal Year (such principal due in such Fiscal Year for such series or issue of Funded Debt being referred to herein as "Balloon Debt"), the amount of principal of such Balloon Debt taken into account during any Fiscal Year shall be equal to the debt service calculated using the original principal amount of such Balloon Debt amortized over the Term of Issue on a level debt service basis at an assumed interest rate equal to the rate borne by such Balloon Debt on the date of calculation;
- (3) <u>Consent Sinking Fund</u>. In the case of Balloon Debt (as defined in clause (2) above), if a Designated Financial Officer shall deliver to the Board and the Authority an Officer's Certificate providing for the retirement of (and the instrument creating such Balloon Debt shall permit the retirement of), or for the accumulation of a sinking fund for (and the instrument creating such Balloon Debt shall permit the accumulation of a sinking fund for), such Balloon Debt according to a fixed schedule stated in such Officer's Certificate ending on or before the Fiscal Year in which such principal (and premium, if any) is due, then the principal of (and, in the case of retirement, or to the extent provided for by the sinking fund accumulation, the premium, if any, and interest and other debt service charges on) such Balloon Debt shall be computed as if the same were due in accordance with such schedule, provided that this clause (3) shall apply only to Balloon Debt for which the installments previously scheduled have been paid or deposited to the sinking fund established with respect to such Debt on or before the times required by such schedule; and provided further that this clause (3) shall not apply where the Board has elected to apply the rule set forth in clause (2) above;
- (4) <u>Prepaid Debt.</u> Principal of and interest on Parity Obligations, or portions thereof, shall not be included in the computation of the Annual Debt Service Requirements for any Fiscal Year for which such principal or interest are payable from funds on deposit or set aside in trust for the payment thereof at the time of such calculations (including without limitation capitalized interest and accrued interest so deposited or set aside in trust) with a financial institution acting as fiduciary with respect to the payment of such Debt;
- (5) <u>Variable Rate</u>. As to any Parity Obligation that bears interest at a variable interest rate which cannot be ascertained at the time of calculation of the Annual Debt Service Requirement then, at the option of the Board, either (1) an interest rate equal to the average rate borne by such Parity Obligations (or by

comparable debt in the event that such Parity Obligations has not been outstanding during the preceding 24 months) for any 24 month period ending within 30 days prior to the date of calculation, or (2) an interest rate equal to the 30-year Tax-Exempt Revenue Bond Index (as most recently published in The Bond Buyer), shall be presumed to apply for all future dates, unless such index is no longer published in The Bond Buyer, in which case an index of tax-exempt revenue bonds with maturities of at least 20 years which is published in a newspaper or journal with national circulation may be used for this purpose. If two Series of Parity Obligations which bear interest at variable interest rates, or one or more maturities within a Series, of equal par amounts, are issued simultaneously with inverse floating interest rates providing a composite fixed interest rate for such Parity Obligations taken as a whole, such composite fixed rate shall be used in determining the Annual Debt Service Requirement with respect to such Parity Obligations;

- (6) <u>Guarantee</u>. In the case of any guarantee, as described in clause (2) of the definition of Debt, no obligation will be counted if the Board does not anticipate in its annual budget that it will make any payments on the guarantee. If, however, the Board is making payments on a guarantee or anticipates doing so in its annual budget, such obligation shall be treated as Parity Obligations and calculations of Annual Debt Service Requirements with respect to such guarantee shall be made assuming that the Board will make all additional payments due under the guaranteed obligation. If the entity whose obligation is guaranteed cures all defaults and the Board no longer anticipates making payments under the guarantee, the guaranteed obligations shall not be included in the calculation of Annual Debt Service Requirements;
- (7) <u>Commercial Paper</u>. With respect to any Parity Obligations issued in the form of commercial paper with maturities not exceeding 270 days, the interest on such Parity Obligations shall be calculated in the manner provided in clause (5) of this definition and the maturity schedule shall be calculated in the manner provided in clause (2) of this definition; and
- (8) <u>Credit Agreement Payments</u>. If the Board, or the Authority on behalf of the Board, has entered into a Credit Agreement in connection with an issue of Debt, payments due under the Credit Agreement (other than payments for fees and expenses), for either the Board or, the Authority on behalf of the Board, as the case may be, or the Credit Provider, shall be included in such calculation, except to the extent that the payments are already taken into account under (1) through (7) above and any payments otherwise included above under (1) through (7) which are to be replaced by payments under a Credit Agreement, from either the Board or the Credit Provider, shall be excluded from such calculation.

With respect to any calculation of historic data, only those payments actually made in the subject period shall be taken into account in making such calculation and, with respect to prospective calculations, only those payments reasonably expected to be made in the subject period shall be taken into account in making the calculation.

"Annual Direct Obligation" means the amount budgeted each Fiscal Year by the Board with respect to each Participant in the Financing System to satisfy said Participant's proportion of debt service (calculated based on said Participant's Direct Obligation) due by the Board in such Fiscal Year on Outstanding Parity Obligations.

"Annual Obligation" means, with respect to each Participant in the Financing System and for each Fiscal Year, said Participant's Annual Direct Obligation plus the amount budgeted by the Board for such Fiscal Year to allow said Participant to retire its obligation for advances made to it by the Board in the management of the Financing System to satisfy part or all of a previous Annual Direct Obligation payment.

"Authority" means the Texas Public Finance Authority, or any successor thereto.

"Board" means the Board of Regents of Stephen F. Austin State University, acting as the governing body of the University, or any successor thereto.

"Bond Counsel" means Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., Dallas, Texas or such other firm of attorneys of nationally recognized standing in the field of law relating to municipal revenue bonds selected by the Board with the approval of the Authority.

"Bonds" means the Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2008, issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$20,175,000 pursuant to the terms of the Resolution, and all substitute bonds exchanged therefor, and all other substitute and replacement bonds issued pursuant to the Resolution; and the term "Bond" means any of the Bonds.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Credit Agreement" means, collectively, a loan agreement, revolving credit agreement, agreement establishing a line of credit, letter of credit, reimbursement agreement, insurance contract, commitments to purchase Parity Obligations, purchase or sale agreements, interest rate swap agreements, currency exchange agreements, interest rate floor or cap agreements, or commitments or other contracts or agreements authorized, recognized and approved by the Board or the Authority on behalf of the Board as a Credit Agreement in connection with the authorization, issuance, security, or payment of Parity Obligations and on a parity therewith.

"Credit Provider" means any bank, financial institution, insurance company, surety bond provider, or other entity which provides, executes, issues, or otherwise is a party to or provider of a Credit Agreement.

"DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, or any successor securities depository.

"DTC Participant" means the securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations on whose behalf DTC was created to hold securities to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among DTC participants.

# "Debt" means all:

- (1) indebtedness incurred or assumed by the Board for borrowed money (including indebtedness arising under Credit Agreements) and all other financing obligations of the Board that, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, are shown on the liability side of a balance sheet;
- (2) all other indebtedness (other than indebtedness otherwise treated as Debt hereunder) for borrowed money or for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of property or capitalized lease obligations that is guaranteed, directly or indirectly, in any manner by the Board, or that is in effect guaranteed, directly or indirectly, by the Board through an agreement, contingent or otherwise, to purchase any such indebtedness or to advance or supply funds for the payment or purchase of any such indebtedness or to purchase property or services primarily for the purpose of enabling the debtor or seller to make payment of such indebtedness, or to assure the owner of the indebtedness against loss, or to supply funds to or in any other manner invest in the debtor (including any agreement to pay for property or services irrespective of whether or not such property is delivered or such services are rendered), or otherwise; and
- (3) all indebtedness secured by any mortgage, lien, charge, encumbrance, pledge or other security interest upon property owned by the Board whether or not the Board has assumed or become liable for the payment thereof.

For the purpose of determining the "Debt" of the Board, there shall be excluded any particular Debt if, upon or prior to the Maturity thereof, there shall have been deposited with the proper depository (a) in trust the necessary funds (or investments that will provide sufficient funds, if permitted by the instrument creating such Debt) for the payment, redemption, or satisfaction of such Debt or (b) evidence of such Debt deposited for cancellation; and thereafter it shall not be considered Debt. No item shall be considered Debt unless such item constitutes indebtedness under generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with the financial statements prepared by or for the benefit of the Board in prior Fiscal Years.

"Defeasance Securities" means (i) Federal Securities, (ii) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the Authority adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or otherwise provide for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, and (iii) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the governing body of the Authority adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or otherwise provide for the funding of an escrow to affect the defeasance of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm no less than "AAA" or its equivalent.

"Designated Financial Officer" means the Vice President for Finance and Administration of the University, or such other official of the University appointed by the Board to carry out the functions of the Designated Financial Officer specified herein.

"Designated Trust Office" means Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Houston, Texas, for the initial Paying Agent/Registrar.

"Direct Obligation" means the proportionate share of Outstanding Parity Obligations attributable to and the responsibility of each Participant in the Financing System.

"Executive Director" means the duly acting Executive Director of the Authority, and any person authorized by the Board of Directors of the Authority to serve in the capacity of and perform the duties and obligations of the Executive Director.

"Federal Securities" as used herein means direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America (including Interest Strips of the Resolution Funding Corporation).

"Fiscal Year" means the fiscal year of the Board which currently ends on August 31 of each year.

"Funded Debt" means all Parity Obligations that mature by their terms (in the absence of the exercise of any earlier right of demand), or are renewable at the option of the Board to a date, more than one year after the original creation, assumption, or guarantee of such Debt by the Board.

"Holder" or "Bondholder" or "Owner" means the registered owner of any Parity Obligation registered as to ownership and the holder of any Parity Obligation payable to bearer.

"Maturity", when used with respect to any Debt, means the date on which the principal of such Debt or any installment thereof becomes due and payable as therein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity thereof or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption, or otherwise.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"NRMSIR" means each person whom the SEC or its staff has determined to be a nationally recognized municipal securities information repository within the meaning of the Rule from time to time.

"Non-Recourse Debt" means any Debt secured by a lien (other than a lien on Pledged Revenues), liability for which is effectively limited to the property subject to such lien with no recourse, directly or indirectly, to any other property of the Board attributable to the Financing System; provided, however, that such Debt is being incurred in connection with the acquisition of property only, which property is not, at the time of such occurrence, owned by the Board and being used in the operations of a Participant.

"Officer's Certificate" means a certificate executed by the Designated Financial Officer.

"Opinion of Bond Counsel" means a written opinion of counsel, which counsel shall be acceptable to the Authority and the Board.

"Outstanding" when used with respect to Parity Obligations means, as of the date of determination, all Parity Obligations theretofore delivered under the Resolution and any resolution hereafter adopted authorizing the issuance of Parity Obligations, except:

- (1) Parity Obligations theretofore cancelled and delivered to the Board or delivered to the Paying Agent or the Registrar for cancellation;
- (2) Parity Obligations deemed paid pursuant to the provisions of Section 19 of the Resolution or any comparable section of any resolution hereafter adopted authorizing the issuance of Parity Obligations;
- (3) Parity Obligations upon transfer of or in exchange for and in lieu of which other Parity Obligations have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to the Resolution; and
- (4) Parity Obligations under which the obligations of the Board have been released, discharged, or extinguished in accordance with the terms thereof:

provided however, that, unless the same is acquired for purposes of cancellation, Parity Obligations owned by the Board shall be deemed to be Outstanding as though it was owned by any other owner.

"Outstanding Principal Amount" means, with respect to all Parity Obligations or to a series of Parity Obligations, the outstanding and unpaid principal amount of such Parity Obligations paying interest on a current basis and the outstanding and unpaid principal and compounded interest on such Parity Obligations paying accrued, accreted, or compounded interest only at maturity as of any Record Date established by a Registrar in connection with a proposed amendment of the Resolution.

"Parity Obligations" means all Debt of the Board which may be issued or assumed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution and any resolution authorizing the issuance of Debt on a parity basis with the Bonds, secured by a pledge of the Pledged Revenues subject only to the liens securing Prior Encumbered Obligations. For purposes of this definition, the Previously Issued Parity Obligations and the Bonds constitute Parity Obligations.

"Participant in the Financing System" and "Participant" means each of the agencies, institutions and branches of the University and such agencies, institutions and branches hereafter designated by the Board to be a participant in the Financing System. Currently, the University is the only Participant in the Financing System.

"Paying Agent/Registrar", "Paying Agent" or "Registrar" means each of the agents (one or more) appointed pursuant to the Resolution, or any successor to any such agent.

"Pledged Revenues" means, subject to the provisions of the Prior Encumbered Obligations, the Revenue Funds, including all of the funds and balances now or hereafter lawfully available to the Board and derived from or attributable to any Participant of the Financing System which are lawfully available to the Board for payments on Parity Obligations; provided, however, that the following shall not be included in Pledged Revenues unless and to the extent set forth in a resolution authorizing the issuance of Parity Obligations: (a) amounts received by the University under Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, including the income therefrom and any fund balances relating thereto; and (b) except to the extent so specifically appropriated, general revenue funds appropriated to the Board by the Legislature of the State of Texas.

"Previously Issued Parity Obligations" means the Series 1998 Bonds, the Series 2000 Bonds, the Series 2002A Bonds, the Series 2004A Bonds, the Series 2005A Bonds, the Series 2004Bonds, the Series 2005A Bonds.

"Prior Encumbered Obligations" means those outstanding bonds or other obligations of an institution which becomes a Participant of the Financing System after the date of adoption of the Resolution, which are secured by a lien on and pledge of the Prior Encumbered Revenues charged and collected at such institution or agency, and any other bonds or other obligations secured by revenues which are hereafter designated by the Board as a Pledged Revenue.

"Prior Encumbered Revenues" means (i) the revenues pledged to the payment of Prior Encumbered Obligations of the University and (ii) the revenues of any revenue producing system or facility of an institution or agency which hereafter becomes a Participant of the Financing System and which are pledged to the payment of bonds or other obligations outstanding on the date such institution or agency becomes a Participant of the Financing System.

"Record Date" means, with respect to the Bonds, the last business day of each month preceding an interest payment date.

"Registration Books" means the books or records relating to the registration, payment, and transfer or exchange of the Bonds maintained by the Paying Agent/Registrar pursuant to the Resolution.

"Resolution" means the Resolution authorizing the sale of the Bonds.

"Revenue Financing System" or "Financing System" means the "Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System", currently for the benefit of the University, and such other institutions and agencies now or hereafter under the control or governance of the Board, and made a Participant of the Revenue Financing System by specific action of the Board.

"Revenue Funds" means the "revenue funds" of the Board (as defined in Section 55.01 of the Texas Education Code to mean the revenues, incomes, receipts, rentals, rates, charges, fees, grants, and tuition levied or collected from any public or private source by an institution of higher education, including interest or other income from those funds) derived by the Board from the operations of each of the Participants. To the extent authorized by law, the definition of "Revenue Funds" includes student center fees authorized by Section 54.520, Texas Education Code, and student recreational sports fees authorized by section 54.5201, Texas Education Code. The term "Revenue Funds" does not include, with respect to each series or issue of Parity Obligations, any tuition, rentals, rates, fees, or other charges attributable to any student in a category which, at the time of the adoption by the Board of a resolution relating to such Parity Obligations, is exempt by law or by the Board from paying such tuition, rentals, rates, fees, or other charges.

"Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"SID" means any person designated by the State of Texas or an authorized department, officer, or agency thereof as, and determined by the SEC or its staff to be, a state information depository within the meaning of the Rule from time to time.

"Stated Maturity" when used with respect to any Debt or any installment of interest thereon means any date specified in the instrument evidencing or authorizing such Debt or such installment of interest as a fixed date on which the principal of such Debt or any installment thereof or the fixed date on which such installment of interest is due and payable.

"Subordinated Debt" means any Debt which expressly provides that all payments thereon shall be subordinated to the timely payment of all Parity Obligations then Outstanding or subsequently issued.

"Term of Issue" means with respect to any Balloon Debt, including, without limitation, commercial paper, a period of time equal to the greater of (i) the period of time commencing on the date of issuance of such Balloon Debt and ending on the final maturity date of such Balloon Debt or the maximum maturity date in the case of commercial paper or (ii) twenty-five years.

"University" means Stephen F. Austin State University, together with every other agency or general academic institution or branch thereof now or hereafter operated by or under the jurisdiction of the Board acting for and on behalf of Stephen F. Austin State University pursuant to law.

# APPENDIX B

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2007



# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

# Office of the President

P.O. Box 6078, SFA Station • Nacogdoches, Texas 75962-6078 Phone (936) 468-2201 • Fax (936) 468-2202

November 20, 2007

Honorable Rick Perry, Governor Honorable Susan Combs, Texas Comptroller John O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board John Keel, CPA, State Auditor

Lady and Gentlemen:

We are pleased to submit the Annual Financial Report of Stephen F. Austin State University for the year ended August 31, 2007, in compliance with TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN §2101.011 and in accordance with the requirements established by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Due to the statewide requirements embedded in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements — and Management's Discussion and Analysis — for State and Local Governments, the Comptroller of Public Accounts does not require the accompanying annual financial report to comply with all the requirements in this statement. The financial report will be considered for audit by the State Auditor as part of the audit of the State of Texas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report; therefore, an opinion has not been expressed on the financial statements and related information contained in this report.

If you have any questions, please contact Dora Fuselier at (936) 468-2112. Letitia Hamilton may be contacted at (936) 468-2250 for questions related to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

Sincerely

Baker Pattillo President



# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

# Office of the Controller

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November 20, 2007

Dr. Baker Pattillo
President
Stephen F. Austin State University
P. O. Box 6078, SFA Station
Nacogdoches, Texas 75962

Dear Dr. Pattillo:

Submitted herein is the Annual Financial Report of Stephen F. Austin State University for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2007.

The financial statements in this report have been prepared in conformity with the General Provisions of the Appropriations Act, Article IX, and in accordance with the requirements established by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

The accompanying Annual Financial Report will be considered for audit by the State Auditor as part of the audit of the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report; therefore, an opinion has not been expressed on the statements and related information contained in this report.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (936) 468-2112.

Sincerely,

Dora Fuselier, C.P.A.

Controller

Approved:

Danny Gallant

Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration

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# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY ORGANIZATIONAL DATA August 31, 2007

# **Board of Regents**

# **Officers**

Valerie E. Ertz, Chair James A. Thompson, Vice-Chair Joe Max Green, Secretary

# **Members**

Name	Town	Term Expires January 31,
Valerie E. Ertz	Dallas, Texas	2009
Joe Max Green	Nacogdoches, Texas	2009
Paul G. Pond	Dallas, Texas	2009
Richard B. Boyer	The Colony, Texas	2011
James A. Thompson	Sugar Land, Texas	2011
Melvin R. White	Pflugerville, Texas	2011
Carlos Z. Amaral	Plano, Texas	2013
James H. Dickerson	New Braunfels, Texas	2013
John R. Garrett	Tyler, Texas	2013
Stephanie G. Tracy (student)	Dayton, Texas	2008

# **President**

Baker Pattillo, Ed.D

# Finance and Administration

Interim Vice President – Danny Gallant Controller - Dora Fuselier, C.P.A. Assistant Controller – Dannette Sales, C.P.A.

# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

# Management's Discussion and Analysis Unaudited

For the Year Ended August 31, 2007

# INTRODUCTION

Stephen F. Austin State University (the University) is a comprehensive regional public institution of higher education and an agency of the State of Texas. Named for the "Father of Texas", the University was founded in 1921. It is located in Nacogdoches in the Pineywoods area of East Texas. The University enrolls more than 11,000 students in six colleges and 35 academic units and awards degrees at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels. The main campus includes 406 acres, part of the original homestead of Thomas J. Rusk, early Texas patriot and United States Senator.

The University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Specific academic programs hold numerous other accreditations.

The University does not include any blended components on the Financial Statements.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Stephen F. Austin State University presents in this discussion and analysis the Financial Statements for fiscal year 2007 with comparative information for 2006. This discussion, prepared by management, will focus on the University's current year data, trends in data, and overview of the financial activities for the year. It should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Financial Statements and Notes, which offer various financial definitions and accounting information.

Three primary statements are presented: Statement of Net Assets; Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets; and Statement of Cash Flows. The Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with requirements established by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Texas Legislature approved \$43.178 million tuition revenue bond funding for the University.
- Construction expenditures for new and renovated facilities totaled approximately \$26.5 million.
- The newly renovated Baker Pattillo Student Center opened to the public in April 2007.
- The 610-bed residence hall with apartment-style living arrangements opened to students in the fall of 2006.
- A building and 16.83 acres of land valued at \$1.32 million was donated to the University for the site of the future nursing facility.
- The University received an additional \$2 million of federal funding for the Columbia Geospatial Center.
- A computer replacement program was implemented to address information technology needs.

# CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

#### Statement of Net Assets

The Statement of Net Assets presents the assets, liabilities, and net assets of Stephen F. Austin State University at a point in time, in this case August 31, 2007. Net assets is the difference between total assets and total liabilities, and represents the residual interest in the University's assets after liabilities are deducted. "Net Assets" is presented in three major categories: Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt; Restricted Net assets; and Unrestricted Net Assets. The Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt category identifies the equity in property, plant and equipment owned by the University. Restricted

net assets are either expendable or non-expendable. Expendable restricted net assets may be expended only for the purposes designated by the external donor or provider of the assets. Non-Expendable net assets are comprised entirely of funds held as permanent endowments. Unrestricted net assets are available for any lawful purpose of the University. Although unrestricted net assets are not subject to externally imposed stipulations, most have been committed for various future uses in support of the University's mission. Recognized in unrestricted net assets are unspent Higher Education Funds (HEF), which have restrictions imposed by the state. Assets and liabilities are generally measured using current values, except capital assets, which are stated at historical cost less an allowance for depreciation.

The Statement of Net Assets presents a snapshot view of assets available for use in the University's continuing operations and enables readers to determine the amounts owed to others. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets are indicators of the improvement or decline of the financial health of the University.

A summarized comparison of Stephen F. Austin State University's Statement of Net Assets at August 31, 2007 and 2006 follows:

Statement of Net Assets					
	2006				
Assets					
Current Assets	\$103,054,862.97	\$121,913,423.44			
Non-Current Assets					
Other Non-Current Assets	38,689,506.06	38,476,368.46			
Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	168,006,594.32	146,470,532.33			
Total Assets	309,750,963.35	306,860,324.23			
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities	77,677,069.27	70,844,695.14			
Non-Current Liabilities	118,982,174.64	123,400,088.13			
Total Liabilities	196,659,243.91	194,244,783.27			
Net Assets					
Invested in Capital Assets,					
Net of Related Debt	48,670,949.97	50,933,665.68			
Restricted		. ,			
Expendable	19,451,117.01	21,765,271.71			
Non-Expendable	6,297,795.55	6,226,242.85			
Unrestricted	38,671,856.91	33,690,360.72			
Total Net Assets	\$113,091,719.44	\$112,615,540.96			

In fiscal year 2007, total assets of the University increased approximately \$3 million from the previous fiscal year. Net capital assets increased approximately \$21.5 million and current assets decreased approximately \$19.2 million. These changes are attributed to the use of bond investment proceeds to pay costs associated with major construction projects. The approximately \$7 million change in current liabilities is primarily attributed to the increase in deferred revenues related to tuition and fee and room and board rate increases effective for fall 2007 that were charged to students prior to year end. The decrease of approximately \$5 million in non-current liabilities is attributed primarily to the reduction in bonds payable for payments made on University debt.

While there was no significant change to total net assets, unrestricted net assets increased approximately \$5 million due to the use of bond proceeds to reimburse construction expenses initially paid with non-restricted funds. Additionally, in accordance with bond covenants, the University used unexpended bond

proceeds for principal and interest payments that would have otherwise required the use of unrestricted assets. (See the Capital Asset and Debt Administration section below.)

# Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

Changes in total net assets are based on the activity shown on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. This statement presents operating revenues and expenses, non-operating revenues and expenses, and other gains and losses.

Operating revenues are received for providing goods and services to the various constituencies of Stephen F. Austin State University. Operating expenses are those paid to acquire goods and services provided in return for operating revenues to carry out the mission of the University. Non-operating revenues are those for which no goods or services have been provided, such as state legislative revenue and other appropriations.

A summarized comparison of Stephen F. Austin State University's Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets at August 31, 2007 and 2006 follows:

# Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

	2007	2006
Operating Revenues:		
Net Student Tuition and Fees	\$ 48,426,477.78	\$ 43,814,672.24
Net Auxiliary Enterprise Revenues	24,659,762.37	19,403,431.19
Grants and Contracts	24,325,322.26	24,909,151.37
Other Operating Revenues	5,184,261.74	5,058,717.51
Total Operating Revenues	102,595,824.15	93,185,972.31
Total Operating Expenses	160,686,655.96	145,310,763.61
Operating Income (Loss)	(58,090,831.81)	(52,124,791.30)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):		
Legislative Revenue (State)	40,045,552.50	40,092,509.50
Additional Appropriations	9,824,597.22	9,590,476.16
Federal Pass-Through	13,611.22	2,220,
Gifts	2,247,463.40	2,298,280.20
Net Investment Income (Loss)	3,061,716.91	3,179,469.57
Net Increase (Decrease) in Fair Value		•
of Investments	167,467.21	103,580.10
Interest Expenses and Fiscal Charges	(3,487,419.12)	(1,743,337.63)
Net Other Non-Operating Revenues	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	, , ,
(Expenses)	233,940.75	(89,138.62)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	52,106,930.09	53,431,839.28
Income (Loss) Before Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains or Losses	(5,983,901.72)	1,307,047.98
Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains (Losses) and Transfers	6,460,080.20	4,727,952.66
Change in Net Assets	476,178.48	6,035,000.64
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	112,615,540.96	108,454,258.87

Restatements		(1,873,718.55)
Restated Net Assets, Beginning of Year	112,615,540.96	106,580,540.32
Net Assets, End of Year	\$113,091,719.44	\$112,615,540.96

Some of the fiscal year 2007 highlights presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets are:

- Net student tuition and fees increased by approximately \$4.61 million in 2007. This is due to an
  increase in designated tuition charged to students. In addition, the recreational sports fee was
  levied beginning with the spring semester 2006; therefore, the tuition and fees in fiscal year 2007
  include a full year of charges rather than a partial year.
- Net auxiliary enterprise revenues increased approximately \$5.3 million. This is attributed to the increased room and board charges and the increased demand because of the new housing facilities.
- Interest expenses and fiscal charges increased approximately \$1.7 million. This is due to both an increase of approximately \$1 million in the amount of interest payments adjusted for accruals and a decrease in the amount of interest capitalized of approximately \$700,000.

The following data summarizes the operating expenses in the natural classification expense categories for the fiscal years ended August 31, 2007 and 2006:

Operating Expenses:	2007	2006
Cost of Goods Sold	\$6,570,531.92	\$5,811,668.52
Salaries and Wages	70,782,231.07	67,752,061.20
Payroll Related Costs	18,445,775.37	17,332,490.94
Professional Fees and Services	1,477,896.43	1,674,621.64
Travel	2,026,919.96	1,924,836.25
Materials and Supplies	17,184,358.00	12,129,680.76
Communications and Utilities	11,475,014.90	10,966,933.80
Repairs and Maintenance	3,114,488.84	1,938,881.86
Rentals and Leases	1,682,376.41	1,789,195.59
Printing and Reproduction	662,365.70	631,263.06
Federal and State Pass-Through Expenses	727,341.29	799,017.52
Depreciation	7,715,953.32	5,724,049.84
Bad Debt Expense	212,877.49	5,644.81
Interest	943.66	515.70
Scholarships	13,125,624.35	11,191,935.21
Claims and Settlements	45.00	6,436.00
Other Operating Expenses	5,481,912.25	5,631,530.91
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	\$160,686,655.96	\$145,310.763.61

Some of the 2007 fiscal year highlights presented in the Operating Expenses are:

- Salaries and benefits increased by approximately \$4.6 million. This is due to two salary increases given to employees during the year. An initial 1% merit pool increase to faculty and staff was given at the beginning of the fiscal year and a 2.5 % merit pool increase was given to employees in January.
- Materials and supplies increased approximately \$5 million. The increase is attributed to increased
  expenditures that do not meet capitalization thresholds for furniture and equipment for the new
  residence halls, Baker Pattillo Student Center and the recreation center. In prior financial reports,
  these amounts were recognized in the category of "Other Expenses", based on the classification of

- these expenditures in the Comptroller's Manual of Accounts, Expenditure Codes. The amounts reported in these financial statements for 2006 have been adjusted to reflect this change.
- Depreciation increased approximately \$2 million. This is attributed to completion of the residence hall and parking garage, which was moved from the non-depreciable category of construction in progress to depreciable capital assets.
- The increase in the bad debt expense on outstanding loans is attributed to an adjusted computation after analysis of collection agency activity.
- The net change of gross scholarships and grants awarded to students prior to the calculation of the
  tuition discount was approximately \$3.3 million in fiscal year 2007. The net amount after the
  adjustment for the calculation of the tuition discounts is approximately \$1.9 million and is
  attributed to increased award amounts to offset tuition increases.

# Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows provides details about Stephen F. Austin State University's major sources and uses of cash during the year. It presents detailed information about the cash activity and an indication of the University's liquidity and ability to meet cash obligations. There are four categories of cash flow activity:

- 1. Cash Flows From Operating Activities the net cash used by operating activities
- 2. Cash Flows From Non-Capital Financing Activities the net cash received and spent for non-operating, non-capital financing and non-investing purposes
- 3. Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities the net cash from capital and related financing activities that is used to acquire, construct or improve capital assets
- 4. Cash Flows from Investing Activities the net cash from the acquisition and disposition of debt or equity instruments

The sum of the net cash provided (used) by these four activity types is the Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents.

The final section of the Statement of Cash Flows reconciles the Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities to the Operating Income (Loss) reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. A summarized comparison of the Statement of Cash Flows at August 31, 2007 and 2006 follows:

# **Statement of Cash Flows**

	2007	2006
Net Cash Provided (Used) by:		
Operating Activities	\$(45,392,669.46)	\$(44,685,106.64)
Non-Capital Financing Activities	56,210,426.77	46,873,831.66
Capital and Related Financing Activities	(31,355,738.83)	(10,505,327.40)
Investing Activities	4,796,139.27	34,742,579.75
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(15,741,842.25)	26,425,977.37
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	83,381,108.41	56,955,131.04
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 67,639,266.16	\$ 83,381,108.41

Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities should be viewed together with Net Cash Provided (Used) by Non-Capital Financing Activities. State appropriations are significant sources of recurring revenue in support of operating expenses, but under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 35 they must be classified as Non-Capital Financing Activities instead of Operating Activities.

The decrease in cash and cash equivalents during fiscal year 2007 is primarily attributed to the use of unexpended bond proceeds for reimbursement of construction related expenses. This activity impacted both the categories of Capital and Related Financing Activities and Investing Activities.

The increase in cash provided by non-capital financing activities is attributed to the change from year to year of the level of unspent funds at year end. In 2007, this asset, which appears on the Statement of Net Assets as "legislative appropriations", decreased by approximately \$5 million. In 2006, this asset had increased by approximately \$5 million. Although the level of funding for state appropriations has remained stable for the last two years, the cash flow has changed significantly because of the timing of the drawdowns of appropriations from the state.

#### CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Stephen F. Austin State University continues to improve its campus through development and renewal of its facilities and other capital assets. Capital additions totaled approximately \$29.3 million in fiscal year 2007 and approximately \$67.1 million in fiscal year 2006.

In 2005, the University began Phase I of a multiple phase project to replace and renovate existing residence halls and apartments. Phase I was substantially completed in 2006 and students moved into the new 320-bed residence hall in January 2006. Approximately \$158,000 was spent in 2007. The balance of the bond proceeds from the Housing Phase I project, after all related construction expenditures were processed and paid totaled approximately \$1.16 million. In accordance with bond covenants, these funds were used to pay debt service related to this bond issue and to reimburse the University for a portion of previous debt service payments made in 2006.

In addition, work continued on the major renovation of the Baker Pattillo Student Center that began during fiscal year 2004. The total cost of the project will be approximately \$33.5 million of which \$9.6 million was spent in fiscal year 2007. Although the facility was opened in April 2007, additional work will continue into fiscal year 2008. The university center fee paid by students supports operation, maintenance and debt service of the Baker Pattillo Student Center.

In 2005, students approved the construction of a new student recreation center. Bonded debt was issued in 2006 for \$55.365 million to construct a new recreation center and Phase II of the housing renovations.

Approximately \$21.2 million was allocated to the recreation center and tennis courts. In fiscal year 2007, approximately \$10.6 million was spent on the recreation center. Construction for the recreation center is scheduled for completion in fiscal year 2008. The recreational sports fee paid by students supports operation, maintenance and debt service of the recreation center.

Of the \$55.365 million bonds issued in 2006, approximately \$34.1 million was allocated to Phase II of the housing replacement and renovation project and a new parking facility. Work for those projects was substantially completed in 2006. Students began moving into the new 610-bed housing complex in August 2006. Final payments of approximately \$6.3 million to complete these projects were made in 2007.

During 2007, legislators approved tuition revenue bond funding for \$30.178 million for University educational projects previously authorized but not funded in 2005. These projects included funding for the Education Research Center and deferred maintenance projects.

In addition, during 2007, legislators authorized \$13 million of additional tuition revenue bond funding for the University to construct the Richard and Lucille Dewitt School of Nursing facility on property donated to the University. The University anticipates issuing tuition revenue bonds for these projects in fiscal year 2008.

The University hired an architect to design a multi-million dollar baseball and softball stadium complex. The University and the Stephen F. Austin State University Foundation, Inc. are soliciting gifts for one-

fourth of the project's costs. The project will be re-evaluated in January 2008 based on donations received at that time.

Several parcels of real estate adjacent to the University campus were purchased during the year. Total cost for these additions was approximately \$700,000. In addition, the University received a gift of approximately 2.5 acres adjoining the SFA Pineywoods Native Plant Center. The property was accepted for use of the University as a park, to be named the Jimmy Hinds Park.

Other gifts and pledges of approximately \$1 million will be used to build a tennis pavilion and to make renovations to the accounting department and football field house.

#### ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Management is not aware of any known facts, decisions, or conditions that are expected to have a material effect on the financial position or results of operations during the fiscal year 2008.

Initial indicators for fall 2007 looked stable with fall enrollment showing a minimal decrease in reported semester credit hours. The fall 2007 enrollment of 11,607 was the second highest headcount since 2000. Campus improvements and increased marketing efforts are expected to have a positive impact on enrollment.

The University is in the process of developing a new strategic plan to be implemented in the fall 2008.

#### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

Significant changes in University leadership occurred in 2007. Dr. Baker Pattillo, the Interim President and previous Vice President of University Affairs, was named President in January 2007. Mr. Steve Westbrook was promoted from Interim Vice President for University Affairs to Vice President for University Affairs. The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs retired in August 2007. Associate Provost, Dr. Ric Berry, was named as Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The Vice President for Finance and Administration submitted her resignation in July 2007. The Director of Financial Services and Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration, Mr. Danny Gallant, was named Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration.

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# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY Agency No. 755 Statement of Net Assets For the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2007

	August 31, 2007		August 31, 2006	
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents				
Cash on Hand	\$	520,001.50	\$ 1,166,755.91	
Cash in Bank		7,087,516.93	13,588,596.03	
Cash in Transit/Reimb due from Treasury		487,706.52	81,988.64	
Cash in State Treasury		430,903.08	802,450.09	
Cash Equivalents		45,732,078.12	21,897,963.92	
Short Term Investments		83,350.58	892,989.44	
Restricted				
Cash and Cash Equivalents				
Cash in Bank		7,777,773.26	2,374,703.14	
Cash Equivalents		5,293,513.28	43,468,650.68	
Short Term Investments				
Endowment		. 0.00	274,076.00	
Proceeds from Bond Sales		0.00	1,990,310.00	
Legislative Appropriations		5,802,594.98	10,560,373.50	
Receivables				
Intergovernmental Receivables				
Federal		1,889,221.41	1,196,299.56	
State		910,913.04	678,538.63	
Interest and Dividends		167,034.69	609,629.73	
Student Receivable		7,621,658.46	4,632,369.06	
Accounts Receivable		1,848,481.92	1,623,815.62	
Gifts/Pledges Receivables		450,000.00	0.00	
Due From Other Agencies				
Federal		0.00	99,518.74	
State		72,211.89	3,102.00	
Consumable Inventories		498,488.59	500,597.30	
Deferred Charges		13,539,851.55	12,112,595.29	
Student Loans and Contracts		2,841,563.17	3,358,100.16	
Total Current Assets	_	103,054,862.97	121,913,423.44	

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY Agency No. 755 Statement of Net Assets For the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2007

	August 31, 2007	August 31, 2006
Noncurrent Assets		
Restricted		
Cash Equivalents	309,773.47	\$ 0.00
Investments		
Endowments	9,752,936.66	8,542,998.25
Proceeds from Bond Sales	0.00	993,085.00
Student Loans and Contracts	5,277,188.75	6,236,471.74
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(387,644.10)	(174,766.61)
Unrestricted		
Investments	,	•
Operating	19,117,412.45	17,375,312.79
Quasi-Endowments	3,841,688.73	3,421,950.36
Student Accounts Receivables	4,364,905.21	4,717,755.89
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(3,586,755.11)	(2,636,438.96)
Capital Assets, Non-depreciable		
Land and Land Improvements	6,692,351.91	4,664,581.91
Construction in Progress	49,033,768.22	58,074,575.41
Other Capital Assets	650,144.27	650,144.27
Capital Assets, Depreciable		
Buildings and Building Improvements	230,725,818.00	196,365,061.68
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(136,048,182.71)	(131,119,556.18)
Infrastructure	10,183,040.07	10,183,040.07
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(4,049,557.94)	(3,463,818.50)
Facilities and Other Improvements	6,607,889.30	6,301,545.30
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(3,524,502.84)	(3,310,175.52)
Furniture and Equipment	17,440,931.86	16,764,858.85
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(13,059,908.44)	(12,348,203.55)
Vehicles, Boats, and Aircraft	4,286,074.68	4,302,643.66
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(3,415,081.66)	(3,221,094.40)
Library	14,968,616.59	14,844,931.22
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(12,573,403.11)	(12,267,592.99)
Other Capital Assets	107,800.00	61,800.00
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(19,203.88)	(12,208.90)
Total Noncurrent Assets	206,696,100.38	184,946,900.79
Total Assets	309,750,963.35	306,860,324.23

# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

Agency No. 755
Statement of Net Assets

·	August 31, 2007		August 31, 2006		
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities					
Payables:				•	
Accounts Payable	· \$	4,215,953.96	\$	4,453,830.83	
Payroll Payable		5,610,550.55		5,568,333.83	
Deposits		284,100.85		242,068.16	
Benefits Payable		1,388,898.55	•	1,372,142.15	
Deferred Revenues					
Tuition and Fees		31,557,048.09		27,016,524.43	
Sales and Services		14,810,081.63		13,212,293.29	
Grants and Contracts		547,008.34		687,667.94	
Employees' Compensable Leave		323,897.38		. 290,083.82	
Capital Lease Obligations		73,577.38		67,218.28	
Revenue Bonds Payable		3,705,000.00		3,575,000.00	
Tuition Revenue Bonds Payable		820,000.00		780,000.00	
Accrued Bond Interest Payable		1,996,701.10		2,060,263.06	
Funds Held for Others		10,155,974.48		10,750,682.71	
Payable From Restricted Assets	_	2,188,276.9 <u>6</u>		768,586.64	
Total Current Liabilities	_	77,677,069.27		70,844,695.14	
Noncurrent Liabilities	•				
Deposits		709,163.37		767,215.65	
Capital Lease Obligations		38,216.94		76,287.39	
Employees' Compensable Leave		2,604,794.33		2,401,585.09	
Revenue Bonds Payable		100,575,000.00		104,280,000.00	
Tuition Revenue Bonds Payable		15,055,000.00		15,875,000.00	
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	· -	118,982,174.64		123,400,088.13	
Total Liabilities	=	196,659,243.91		194,244,783.27	
Net Assets					
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt		48,670,949.97		50,933,665.68	
Restricted for:		•			
Capital Projects		2,218,218.42		5,558,663.58	
Funds Held as Permanent Endowments					
Non-Expendable		6,297,795.55		6,226,242.85	
Expendable		3,465,590.84		2,927,061.62	
Other		13,767,307.75		13,279,546.51	
Unrestricted	_	38,671,856.91		33,690,360.72	
Total Net Assets	\$	113,091,719.44	\$	112,615,540.96	

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# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

Agency No. 755

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

		2007		2006
Operating Revenues:		graph.		
Sales of Goods and Services		ķ		
Tuition & Fees - Pledged	\$	57,443,265.35	\$	51,289,442.45
Tuition & Fees - Non-Pledged	•	3,294,241.01	*	3,129,963.32
Discounts and Allowances		(12,311,028.58)		(10,604,733.53)
Auxiliary Enterprise - Pledged		28,323,272,44		22,694,200.02
Auxiliary Enterprise - Non-Pledged		1,411,209.41		889,553.63
Discounts and Allowances		(5,074,719.48)		(4,180,322.46)
Other Sales of Goods and Svcs - Pledged	1	3,754,490.44		3,682,579.22
Other Sales of Goods and Svcs - Non-Pledged		1,230,398.42		1,171,220.24
Interest and Investment Income		188,607.69		183,727.52
Federal Revenue		15,503,619.93		14,842,223.15
Federal Pass-Through Revenue		3,237,153.76		4,235,374.45
State Grant Revenue		786,906.25		575,061.36
State Grant Pass-Through Revenue		3,878,375.45		4,367,220.32
Local Contracts and Grants		502,474.77		238,026.54
Other Contracts and Grants	,	416,792.10		651,245.55
Other Operating Revenues - Pledged		10,765.19		21,190.53
Total Operating Revenues		102,595,824.15		93,185,972.31
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Operating Expenses:				
Cost of Goods Sold		6,570,531.92		5,811,668.52
Salaries and Wages		70,782,231.07		67,752,061.20
Payroll Related Costs		18,445,775.37		17,332,490.94
Professional Fees and Services		1,477,896.43		1,674,621.64
Travel		2,026,919.96		1,924,836.25
Materials and Supplies		17,184,358.00		12,129,680.76
Communication and Utilities		11,475,014.90		10,966,933.80
Repairs and Maintenance		3,114,488.84		1,938,881.86
Rentals and Leases		1,682,376.41		1,789,195.59
Printing and Reproduction		662,365.70		631,263.06
Federal Pass-Through Expenditure		663,594.88		799,017.52
State Pass-Through Expenditure		63,746.41		0.00
Depreciation		7,715,953.32		5,724,049.84
Bad Debt Expense		212,877.49		5,644.81
Interest Expense		943.66		515.70
Scholarships		13,125,624.35		11,191,935.21
Claims and Settlements		45.00		6,436.00
Other Operating Expenses		5,481,912.25		5,631,530.91
Total Operating Expenses		160,686,655.96		145,310,763.61
Operating Income (Loss)		(58,090,831.81)		(52,124,791.30)

# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

Agency No. 755

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

	2007	2006
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):		
Legislative Revenue	40,045,552.50	40,092,509.50
Additional Appropriations	9,824,597.22	9,590,476.16
Federal Pass Through Revenue	13,611.22	0.00
Gifts	2,247,463.40	2,298,280.20
Land Income	100.00	700.00
Investment Income - Pledged	2,370,880.14	1,536,189.82
Investment Income - Non-Pledged	369,273.39	291,447.81
Net Increase (Decrease) Fair Value	167,467.21	103,580.10
Investing Activities Expenses	(16,753.30)	(90,155.83)
Interest on Loans Receivable	217,006.40	139,804.19
Interest Income on Capital Investments-Pledged	121,310.28	1,302,183.58
Interest Expenses and Fiscal Charges	(3,487,419.12)	(1,743,337.63)
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Capital Assets	(16,040.01)	(123,500.52)
Settlement of Claims	260,510.76	40,566.90
Other Non-Operating Revenues	0.00	0.00
Other Non-Operating Expenses	(10,630.00)	(6,905.00)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	52,106,930.09	53,431,839.28
Income (Loss) Before Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains/Losses and Transfers	(5,983,901.72)	1,307,047.98
Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains/Losses and Transfers		
Capital Contributions	1,795,674.26	0.00
Capital Appropriations (Higher Education Fund)	4,683,847.00	4,683,847.00
Additions to Permanent and Term Endowments	835,173.22	551,398.52
Transfers In	0.00	0.00
Transfers Out	(854,614.28)	(507,292.86)
Total Other Revenue, Expenses, Gain/Losses	6,460,080.20	4,727,952.66
and Transfers	`	:
Change in Net Assets	476,178.48	6,035,000.64
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	112,615,540.96	108,454,258.87
Restatements	0.00	(1,873,718.55)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated	112,615,540.96	106,580,540.32
Net Assets, August 31, 2007	\$ 113,091,719.44	\$ 112,615,540.96

# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

Agency No. 755 Statement of Cash Flows

		2007		2006
Cash Flows From Operating Activities				
Proceeds Received from Tuition and Fees	\$	51,280,878.87	\$	46,735,168.45
Proceeds Received from Auxiliary Services	*	26,257,550.71	•	22,440,830.91
Proceeds from Grants and Contracts		23,982,124.28		20,208,242.57
Proceeds from Other Sales and Services		4,986,997.57		4,855,334.15
Proceeds from Interest		631,202.73		(267,319.41)
Proceeds from Other Revenues		10,765.19		21,190.53
Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services		(50,138,407.58)		(43,608,821.99)
Payments to Employees for Salaries		(70,502,991.55)		(66,921,749.08)
Payments for Employees Benefits		(18,429,018.97)		(17,344,310.17)
Payments to Students for Scholarships		(15,105,556.15)		(11,216,043.76)
Payments for Loans Issued to Students and Employees		1,692,826.38		382,149.07
Payments for Other Expenses		(58,097.28)		30,737.79
Payments for Interest		(943.66)		(515.70)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		(45,392,669.46)		(44,685,106.64)
Net Cash Flovided (Osed) by Operating Activities	_	(43,392,009.40)		(44,085,100.04)
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities				
Proceeds from State Appropriations		54,627,928.24		44,967,440.95
Proceeds from Gifts		2,247,463.40		2,298,280.20
Proceeds from Claims and Settlements		260,510.76		40,566.90
Payments of Transfers from Other Agencies		(540,080.44)		(507,292.86)
Payments of Other Expenses		(10,630.00)		(6,205.00)
Payments for Purchases of Endowments		(374,765.19)		81,041.47
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Non-Capital Financing Activities		56,210,426.77		46,873,831.66
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities				
Proceeds from Debt Issuance		_		55,365,000.00
Proceeds from State Appropriatons-HEF		4,683,847.00		4,683,847.00
Proceeds from Capital Grants and Gifts		39,285.48		-,000,01,100
Proceeds from Other Financing Activities		100.00		_
Proceeds from Interest on Capital Investments		121,310.28	2	1,356,181.60
Payments for Additions to Capital Assets		(27,900,800.66)		(66,948,618.15)
Payments of Principal on Capital Debt		(4,734,970.23)		(4,074,970.99)
Payments of Interest on Capital Debt (adjusted for amounts capitalized)		(3,564,510.70)		(886,766.86)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities		(31,355,738.83)		(10,505,327.40)
Net Cash Florided (Osed) by Capital and Related Financing Activities		(31,333,736.63)		(10,505,527.40)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities				
Proceeds from the Sale of Investments		912,186.83		18,422,509.60
Proceeds from Interest Income from Investments		2,890,867.44		1,823,197.25
Proceeds from Sale of Investments of Bond Proceeds		993,085.00		14,496,872.90
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		4,796,139.27		34,742,579.75
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	(15,741,842.25)	_\$_	26,425,977.37

# STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

Agency No. 755 Statement of Cash Flows

	2007	2006
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (58,090,831.81)	\$ (52,124,791.30)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	f 1 4	
Amortization and Depreciation Bad Debt Expense Changes in Assets and Liabilities	7,715,953.32 212,877.49	5,724,049.84 5,644.81
(Increase) Decrease in Receivables (Increase) Decrease in Inventories (Increase) Decrease in Loans to Students	611,121.51 2,108.71 1,692,826.38	(6,634,117.94) 1,534.69 382,149.07
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Expenses (Increase) Decrease in Due from Other Agencies Increase (Decrease) in Payables	(1,427,256.26) 30,408.94 1,282,819.26	(1,733,956.74) 25,310.77 211,820.90
Increase (Decrease) in Deferred Income Increase (Decrease) in Compensated Absences Increase (Decrease) in Other Liabilities	5,997,652.40 237,022.80 -	2,944,682.35 137,162.64 (10,988.77)
Increase (Decrease) in Assets Held for Others Increase (Decrease) in Deposits Payable (Increase) Decrease in Student Receivables	(594,708.23) (58,052.28) 1,303,166.83	1,594,671.75 48,162.56 28,014.02
(Increase) Decrease in Legislative Appropriations (Increase) Decrease in Gifts Receivable Total Adjustments	 (4,757,778.52) 450,000.00 12,698,162,35	 4,715,544.71 - 7,439,684.66
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	 (45,392,669.46)	 (44,685,106.64)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, September 1, 2006 Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents Cash and Cash Equivalents, August 31, 2007	 83,381,108.41 (15,741,842.25) 67.639,266.16	56,955,131.04 26,425,977.37 83,381,108.41
Displayed as:		
Cash on Hand Cash in Bank Cash in Transit/Reimb. Due from Treasury	520,001.50 7,087,516.93 487,706.52	1,166,755.91 13,588,596.03 81,988.64
Cash in State Treasury Cash Equivalents Cash in Bank, Restricted	430,903.08 45,732,078.12 7,777,773.26	802,450.09 21,897,963.92 2,374,703.14
Cash Equivalents, Restricted Non-Current Cash Equivalents, Restricted	\$ 5,293,513.28 309,773.47 67,639,266.16	\$ 43,468,650.68 83,381,108.41

# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# **Entity**

Stephen F. Austin State University (the University) is an agency of the State of Texas and its financial records comply with state statutes and regulations. This includes compliance with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts' for Reporting Requirements Annual Financial Reports of State Agencies and Universities.

The University serves the State as a public institution of higher education.

The University has six related entities. The University has determined no related entity is a reportable component unit of Stephen F. Austin State University. These related entities are listed in Note 15.

# Blended Component Units

No component unit has been identified which should be reported as a blended unit.

# **Discretely Presented Component Units**

No component unit has been identified which should be discretely presented.

Due to the statewide requirements embedded in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments and Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis—for Public Colleges and Universities, the Comptroller of Public Accounts does not require the accompanying annual financial report to comply with all the requirements in these Statements. The financial report will be considered for audit by the State Auditor as part of the audit of the State of Texas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report; therefore, an opinion has not been expressed on the financial statements and related information contained in this report.

#### **Fund Structure**

The accompanying financial statements are presented on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity.

# **Proprietary Fund Type**

# **Enterprise Funds**

Enterprise Funds are used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services. Activities must be reported as Enterprise Funds if any one of the following criteria is met.

- 1. The activity is financed with debt that is secured solely by a pledge of the net revenues from fees and charges of the activity.
- 2. Laws or regulations require that the activity's costs of providing services, including capital costs (such as depreciation or debt service), be recovered with fees and charges.
- The pricing policies of the activity establish fees and charges designed to recover its costs, including capital costs.

# Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary Funds account for assets held by the University in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and/or other governments.

# Agency Funds

Agency Funds are used to account for assets the University holds on behalf of others in a purely custodial capacity. Agency Funds involve only the receipt, temporary investment, and remittance of fiduciary resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments. These funds are recognized on the Statement of Net Assets in Restricted Cash and Funds Held for Others.

# **Basis of Accounting**

The basis of accounting determines when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts reported in the financial statements. The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus.

Proprietary Funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred, subject to materiality. Proprietary Funds distinguish operating from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses result from providing services or producing and delivering goods in connection with the Proprietary Funds principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets, and other expenses.

# **Budget and Budgetary Accounting**

The State of Texas budget is prepared biennially and represents appropriations authorized by the Legislature and approved by the Governor through the General Appropriations Act. Additionally, the University prepares an annual budget which represents anticipated sources of revenue and authorized uses. This budget is approved by the Board of Regents. Unencumbered appropriations are generally subject to lapse 60 days after the end of the fiscal year for which they were appropriated.

# Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets

# **ASSETS**

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Short-term highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less are considered cash equivalents.

#### Restricted Assets

Restricted assets include monies or other resources restricted by legal or contractual requirements. These assets include proceeds of enterprise fund general obligation and revenue bonds and revenues set aside for statutory or contractual requirements.

#### Inventories

Inventories include both merchandise inventories on hand for sale and consumable inventories. Inventories are valued at cost. The cost of these items is expensed when the items are sold or consumed.

# **Deferred Charges**

Deferred charges include prepaid expenses attributable to a subsequent fiscal year, including scholarships attributed to the fall 2007 semester.

#### Capital Assets

Equipment with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year is capitalized. Buildings, infrastructure, facilities and other assets are capitalized when they meet thresholds set by the State. These assets are capitalized at cost or, if not purchased, at appraised fair value on the date of acquisition. Depreciation is reported on all "exhaustible" assets. "Inexhaustible" assets such as works of art and historical treasures are not depreciated. Assets are depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset using the straight-line method of depreciation.

#### Current Receivables

Current receivables are specified in the Statement of Net Assets. They include amounts that are reasonably expected to be received in fiscal year 2008.

# Non-current Receivables

Non-current receivables are those receivables that are not expected to be collected within one year. Included in this category are student accounts receivables and loan receivables that are not expected to be received during fiscal year 2008.

# **LIABILITIES**

# Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable represents the liability for the value of assets or services received at the balance sheet date for which payment is pending.

# Other Payables

Other Payables are the accrual at year-end of expenditure transactions not included in any of the other payable descriptions.

#### Employees' Compensable Leave Balances

Employees' Compensable Leave Balances represent the liability that becomes "due" upon the occurrence of relevant events such as resignations, retirements, and uses of leave balances by covered employees. Liabilities are reported separately as either current or non-current in the Statement of Net Assets. These obligations are normally paid from the same funding source from which each employee's salary or wage compensation was paid.

#### Capital Lease Obligations

Capital Lease Obligations represent the liability for future lease payments under capital lease contracts contingent upon the appropriation of funding by the Legislature. Liabilities are reported separately in the Statement of Net Assets as either current, for the amounts due within one year, or non-current, for the amounts due thereafter.

# Bonds Payable - Revenue Bonds

The principal of revenue bonds is reported separately in the Statement of Net Assets as either current, for the amounts due within one year, or non-current, for the amounts due thereafter. Bonds payable are recorded at par. Interest expense is reported on the accrual basis.

# Bonds Payable - Tuition Revenue Bonds

The principal of tuition revenue bonds is reported separately in the Statement of Net Assets as either current, for the amounts due within one year, or non-current, for the amounts due thereafter. Bonds payable are recorded at par. Interest expense is reported on the accrual basis.

# Bonds Payable - General Obligation Bonds

The principal of general obligation bonds is reported separately in the Statement of Net Assets as either current, for the amounts due within one year, or non-current, for the amounts due thereafter. Bonds payable are recorded at par. Interest expense is reported on the accrual basis.

# **NET ASSETS**

The difference between fund assets and liabilities is "Net Assets" on the proprietary fund statements.

# Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt that are attributed to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

# Restricted Net Assets

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors and the like, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

#### Unrestricted Net Assets

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources that are imposed by management, but these constraints can be removed or modified.

# INTERFUND ACTIVITIES AND BALANCES

The University has the following types of transactions among state appropriated funds and other state agencies:

• Transfers: Legally required transfers that are reported when incurred as "Transfers In" by the recipient fund or state agency and as "Transfers Out" by the disbursing fund or state agency.

- Reimbursements: Repayments from funds responsible for expenditures or expenses to funds that made the actual payment. Reimbursements of expenditures made by one fund for another that are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as a reduction of expenditures in the reimbursed fund. Reimbursements are not displayed in the financial statements.
- Interfund Receivables and Payables: Interfund loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables. If repayment is due during the current year or soon thereafter, it is classified as "Current"; repayment for two or more years is classified as "Non-current."
- Interfund Sales and Purchases: Charges or collections for services rendered by one fund to another that are recorded as revenues of the recipient fund and expenditures or expenses of the disbursing fund.

The composition of the University's Interfund activities and balances are presented in Note 8.

# NOTE 2: Capital Assets

Revenue received from the sale of surplus property has been transferred to Unappropriated General Revenue in accordance with HB7, Sec. 20.

A summary of changes in Capital Assets for the year ended August 31, 2007, is presented below:

	Balance Reclassifications					Balance		
	09/01/06	Α	dj.		Completed CIP	Additions	Deletions	08/31/07
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES								<u> </u>
Non-Depreciable Assets								
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 4,664,581.91	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 2,027,770.00	\$ -	6,692,351.91
Construction in Progress	58,074,575.41		-		(30,580,228.74)	21,539,421.55	-	49,033,768.22
Other Assets	650,144.27		-			-	-	650,144.27
Total Non-Depreciable Assets	63,389,301.59				(30,580,228.74)	23,567,191.55	-	56,376,264.40
Depreciable Assets								
Buildings and Building Improvents	196,365,061.68		-		30,326,860.74	4,033,895.58	-	230,725,818.00
Infrastructure	10,183,040.07		-		-	-	-	10,183,040.07
Facilities & Other Improvements	6,301,545.30		-		253,368.00	52,976.00	-	6,607,889.30
Furniture and Equipment	16,764,858.85		-		-	1,343,917.15	(667,844.14)	17,440,931.86
Vehicle, Boats & Aircraft	4,302,643.66		-		~	89,385.19	(105,954.17)	4,286,074.68
Other Assets	14,906,731.22				•	222,214.85	(52,529.48)	15,076,416.59
Total Depreciable Assets at Historical Costs	248,823,880.78		_		30,580,228.74	5,742,388.77	(826,327.79)	284,320,170.50
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:								
Buildings and Improvements	(131,119,556.18)		-		-	(4,928,626.53)	-	(136,048,182.71)
Infrastructure	(3,463,818.50)		-		•	(585,739.44)		(4,049,557.94)
Facilities & Other Improvements	(3,310,175.52)		-		-	(214,327.32)	-	(3,524,502.84)
Furniture and Equipment	(12,348,203.55)		-		•	(1,344,575.68)	632,870.79	(13,059,908.44)
Vehicles, Boats & Aircraft	(3,221,094.40)		-		-	(283,659.53)	89,672.27	(3,415,081.66)
Other Capital Assets	(12,279,801.89)		-			(359,024.82)	46,219.72	(12,592,606.99)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(165,742,650.04)					(7,715,953.32)	768,762.78	(172,689,840.58)
Depreciable Assets, Net	83,081,230.74		-		30,580,228.74	(1,973,564.55)	(57,565.01)	111,630,329.92
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 146,470,532.33	\$	_	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ 21,593,627.00	\$ (57,565.01)	168,006,594.32

### NOTE 3: Deposits, Investments and Repurchase Agreements

The University is authorized by statute to make investments following the "prudent person rule." There were no significant violations of legal provisions during the period.

### Deposits of Cash in Bank

As of August 31, 2007, the carrying amount of deposits was \$22,509,983.69 as presented below:

**Business-Type Activities** 

CASH IN BANK – CARRYING VALUE	\$22,509,983.69
Less: Certificates of Deposit included in carrying value and reported as non-	
current investments	7,644,693.50
Less: Uninvested Securities Lending Cash Collateral included in carrying value	
and reported as Securities Lending Collateral	0.00
Less: Securities Lending CD Collateral included in carrying value and reported	
as Securities Lending Collateral	0.00
Cash in Bank per AFR	\$14,865,290.19
Proprietary Funds Current Assets Cash in Bank	\$7,087,516.93
Proprietary Funds Current Assets Restricted Cash in Bank	7,777,773.26
Proprietary Funds Non-Current Restricted Cash in Bank	0.00
Cash in Bank per AFR	\$14,865,290.19

These amounts consist of all cash in local banks. These amounts are included on the Statement of Net Assets as part of the "Cash and Cash Equivalents" accounts, except for the certificates of deposit which are included in non-current investments.

As of August 31, 2007, the total bank balance was as follows:

Business-Type Activities	\$23,359,755.01	Fiduciary Funds	\$0.00

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the University will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Stephen F. Austin State University Board Policy C-41, *Investments*, states that all deposits shall be secured by a pledge or collateral with a market value equal to no less that 100% of the deposits less any amount insured by the FDIC or FSLIC and pursuant to Article 2529d, the Public Funds Collateral Act. Evidence of the pledged collateral associated with bank demand accounts shall be maintained by the University Controller.

Amounts insured by the FDIC were \$458,724.07. The amounts reported as of August 31, 2007 as uninsured and uncollateralized below were collateralized on the subsequent business day. The bank balances that were exposed to custodial credit risks are as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution	Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the University's name
\$536,645.97	\$22,364,384.97	\$0.00

### Investments

As of August 31, 2007, the fair value of investments are as presented below:

Business-Type Activities	Fair Value
U.S. Government	
U.S. Treasury Securities	17,424,528.40
U.S. Treasury Strips	0.00
U.S. Treasury TIPS	0.00
U.S. Government Agency Obligations (Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac,	·
Sallie Mae, etc)	905,145.49
U.S. Government Agency Obligations (Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Co)	0.00
Corporate Obligations	247,801.26
Corporate Asset and Mortgage Backed Securities	0.00
Equity	4,075,352.12
International Obligations (Government and Corp)	106,040.55
International Equity	1,263,097.36
Repurchase Agreement	0.00
Repurchase Agreement (Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Co)	0.00
Fixed Income Money Market and Bond Mutual Fund	5,511,267.17
Other Commingled Funds	0.00
International Other Commingled Funds	0.00
Other Commingled Funds (Texpool)	83,350.58
Commercial Paper	0.00
Securities Lending Collateral Investment Pool	0.00
Real Estate	0.00
Alternative Investments	1,045,379.16
Miscellaneous (political subdivision, bankers' acceptance, negotiable CD)	0.00
Total	\$30,661,962.09

Displayed on Statement of Net Assets as:	
Current Assets:	_
Cash Equivalents	\$45,732,078.12
Short-Term Investments	83,350.58
Restricted Cash Equivalents	5,293,513.28
Non-Current Assets:	
Restricted:	
Cash Equivalents	309,773.47
Endowment	9,752,936.66
Quasi-Endowments	3,841,688.73
Unrestricted Investments	19,117,412.45
Subtotal	84,130,753.29
Less: Certificates of Deposit	7,644,693.50
Less: Sweep accounts reported as current cash equivalents	45,824,097.70
Total	\$30,661,962.09

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Stephen F. Austin State University Board Policy C-41, *Investments*, limits investments in the following: bankers acceptances must be rated not less than A-1 or P-1 or equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency; commercial paper must be rated not less than A-1 or P-1 or equivalent by at least two nationally recognized credit rating agency and fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank.

As of August 31, 2007, the University's credit quality distribution for securities with credit risk exposure was as follows:

Standard & Poor's

Investment Type	AAA	AA	A	NR
U.S. Government Agency Obligations				
(Excludes obligations explicitly				
guaranteed by the U.S. Government)	\$905,145.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
U.S. Government Agency Obligations				
(Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Co)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Corporate Obligations	105,437.16	70,869.36	71,494.74	0.00
Corporate Asset and Mortgage Backed				
Securities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
International Obligations	0.00	106,040.55	0.00	0.00
Repurchase Agreements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Alternative Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,045,379.16
·	AAAf	AAf	Uni	ated
Fixed Income Money Market and Bond		,		
Mutual Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$5,511,267.11
	A-1	A-2	A	<b>-3</b>
Commercial Paper	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributable to the magnitude of investment in a single issuer. As of August 31, 2007, the University's concentration of credit risk is immaterial to any single issuer.

### Reverse Repurchase Agreements

The University, by statute, is authorized to enter into reverse repurchase agreements. A reverse repurchase agreement is a transaction in which a broker-dealer or financial institution transfers cash to the University and the University transfers securities to the broker-dealer and promises to repay the cash plus interest in exchange for the same or similar securities. Credit risk exposure for the University arises when a broker-dealer does not return the securities or their value at the conclusion of the reverse repurchase agreement. There were no significant violations of legal or contractual provisions during the year.

As of August 31, 2007, the University was not participating in reverse repurchase agreements.

#### Securities Lending

The University did not participate in securities lending transactions during fiscal year 2007.

### **Derivative Investing**

The University did not participate in derivative investing transactions during fiscal year 2007.

### NOTE 4: Short-Term Debt

The University had no short-term debt as of August 31, 2007.

### NOTE 5: Summary of Long-Term Liabilities

### **Changes in Long-Term Liabilities**

During the year ended August 31, 2007, the following changes occurred in liabilities:

Business- Type Activities	Balance 09/01/06	Additions	Reductions	Balance 08/31/07	Amounts Due Within One Year	Amounts Due Thereafter
Deposits	#1 000 202 C1	\$700 7 <i>46 5</i> 1	#91 <i>4.766.</i> 10	\$002.264.33	#2P4 100 P5	\$700 1 <i>62 27</i>
Payable	\$1,009,283.81	\$798,746.51	\$814,766.10	\$993,264.22	\$284,100.85	\$709,163.37
Revenue						
Bonds	107 055 000 00	0.00	2 575 000 00	104 200 000 00	2 705 000 00	100 575 000 00
Payable	107,855,000.00	0.00	3,575,000.00	104,280,000.00	3,705,000.00	100,575,000.00
Tuition						
Revenue						
Bonds						
Payable	16,655,000.00	0.00	780,000.00	15,875,000.00	820,000.00	15,055,000.00
Capital						
Lease						
Obligations	143,505.67	47,254.66	78,966.01	111,794.32	73,577.38	38,216.94
Employees'		·				
Compensable						
Leave	2,691,668.91	580,307.50	343,284.70	2,928,691.71	323,897.38	2,604,794.33
Total						·
Business-						
Type						
Activities	\$128,354,458.39	\$1,426,308.67	\$5,592,016.81	\$124,188,750.25	\$5,206,575.61	\$118,982,174.65

### Claims and Judgments

The University had no unpaid settlements or judgments as of August 31, 2007.

### **Employees' Compensable Leave**

A State employee is entitled to be paid for all unused vacation time (annual leave) accrued in the event of the employee's resignation, dismissal or separation from state employment, provided the employee has had continuous employment with the State for six months. The University reports the liability for the unpaid annual leave in the Statement of Net Assets. No liability is recorded for sick pay benefits.

### NOTE 6: Capital Leases

The University has entered into long-term leases for financing the purchase of certain capital assets. Such leases are classified as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments at the inception of the lease. The following is a summary of original capitalized costs of all such property under lease as well as the accumulated depreciation as of August 31, 2007:

Assets Under Capital Leases	Business-Type Activities
Furniture and Equipment	\$881,141.74
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	744,348.67
Vehicles	375,000.00
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	156,250.00
Total	\$355,543.07

Future minimum lease payments under these capital leases, together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments at fiscal year-end, are as follows:

Future Minimum Lease Payments Business-Type Activitie		rities	
	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$73,577.38	\$3,637.88	\$77,215.26
2009	16,776.09	1,581.16	18,357.25
2010	12,512.03	988.41	13,500.44
2011	8,928.82	359.64	9,288.46
2012	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013-2017	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$111,794.32	\$6,567.09	118,361.41
Less: Amount Representing Interest at Various Rates			6,567.09
Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments			\$111,794.32

### NOTE 7: Operating Lease Obligations

Included in the expenditures reported in the financial statements are the following amounts of rent paid or due under operating leases:

Fund Type Amount
Enterprise Fund \$385,597.40

Future minimum lease rental payments under non-cancelable operating leases having an initial term in excess of one year are as follows:

Year Ended August 31	
2008	\$212,149.97
2009	147,582.57
2010	130,826.21
2011	93,527.53
2012	36,776.45
2013-2017	\$0.00

### NOTE 8: Interfund Balances/Activities

As explained in Note 1 on Interfund Activities and Balances, there are numerous transactions between funds and agencies. At year-end amounts to be received or paid are reported as:

- Interfund Receivables or Interfund Payables
- Due From Other Agencies or Due To Other Agencies
- Due From Other Funds or Due To Other Funds
- Transfers In or Transfers Out
- Legislative Transfers In or Legislative Transfers Out

The University experienced routine transfers with other State agencies, which were consistent with the activities of the fund making the transfer. Repayment of interfund balances will occur within one year from the date of the financial statement.

Individual balances and activity at August 31, 2007, follows:

	Due From Other Agencies	Due To Other Agencies	Source
ENTERPRISE FUND (05)			
Appd Fund 5015, D23 Fund 5015			
Agency 601, D23 Fund 5015	\$3,828.00		State Pass Through
ENTERPRISE FUND (05)			
Appd Fund 9999, D23 Fund 7999	· ·		
Agency 580, D23 Fund 0483	19,378.00	·	State Pass Through
Agency 771, D23 Fund 0148	49,005.89		State Pass Through
Total Due From/To Other Agencies	\$72,211.89		

	Transfer In	Transfer out	Purpose (Disclosure
			Required)
ENTERPRISE FUND (05)			
Appd Fund 0001, D23 Fund 0001			
Agency 347, D23 Fund 0507	I	\$313,028.82	Master Lease Program
Agency 347, D23 Fund 0735		1,505.02	Master Lease Program
Total Transfers for Fund 0001		314,533.84	
ENTERPRISE FUND (05)			
Agency 781, D23 Fund 0001		2,028.00	Doctoral Set-Aside
Total Transfers for Fund 0261		2,028.00	Windows (B. M.
ENTERPRISE FUND (05)			#
Appd Fund 5103, D23 Fund 5103			
Agency 781, D23 Fund 5103		538,052.44	Texas B-On-Time
Total Transfers for Fund 5103		538,052.44	
Total Transfers		\$854,614.28	

The detailed State Grant Pass-Through information is listed on Schedule 1B - Schedule of State Grant Pass-Through From/To State Agencies.

### NOTE 9: Contingent Liabilities

As of August 31, 2007, there were no lawsuits pending; however, some miscellaneous claims involving the University were pending. While the ultimate liability with respect to pending claims asserted against the University cannot be reasonably estimated at this time, such liability, to the extent not provided for by insurance or otherwise, is not likely to have a material effect on the University.

### NOTE 10: Continuance Subject to Review (Not Applicable)

#### NOTE 11: Risk Financing and Related Insurance

The University is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; losses resulting from providing health and other medical benefits to employees; and natural disasters. It is the University's policy to periodically assess the proper combination of commercial insurance and retention of risk to cover losses to which it may be exposed. The methods the University uses to handle each of these risks are summarized below.

<u>Injuries to Employees</u>: Employees of the University are covered by a workers' compensation insurance policy provided by the State Office of Risk Management (SORM). SORM assesses the University an amount for the insurance coverage in accordance with 28 T.A.C. 251.507. An Interagency Contract in the amount of \$286,305.76 was executed on behalf of the University for Worker's Compensation Insurance during the year ended August 31,

2007. A mid-year adjustment in the amount of \$18,120.28 for 2007 was received in June 2007 and recorded as a reduction in current year expenditures.

Provision for Health and Other Medical Benefits: Employees of the University are eligible for health insurance and optional coverage(s) if they are employed at least 50 percent time. The coverages are provided through the State, under the Texas Employees Group Benefits Program (GBP), which is administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas. Eligible employees may select health, dental, life, accidental death and dismemberment, dependent life, and long and short-term disability coverage. All risks associated with these benefits are passed to the GBP. The costs of health insurance coverage are jointly paid by the State and the University as follows: 100% for full-time employees and 50% for their dependents; 50% for part-time employees and 25% for their dependents. Employees hired on or after September 1, 2003 have a 90-day waiting period to participate in health insurance coverage. Contributions made by the State on behalf of the University for health and other medical benefits were \$5,248,185.49 for the year ended August 31, 2007.

<u>Damage to Property</u>: The University is required by certain bond covenants to carry fire and extended coverage and boiler insurance on buildings financed through the issuance of bonds. The insurance protects the bondholders from a disruption to the revenue stream that is being utilized to make the bond interest and principal payments. In fiscal year 2006, a property insurance claim for \$75,982.69 was filed for damages related to Hurricane Rita. After adjustment for the \$50,000 deductible, the University received \$11,770.35 from insurance proceeds in fiscal year 2006 and \$9,245.38 in fiscal year 2007. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursed the University \$40,833.66 in fiscal year 2006 and \$13,611.22 in fiscal year 2007 for the balance of non-insured expenses.

The Texas Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act requires that every non-governmental vehicle operated on a State highway be insured for minimum limits of liability in the amount of \$20,000 per injured person, up to a total of \$40,000 for everyone injured in an accident (bodily injury) and \$15,000 for property damage. However, the University has chosen to carry liability insurance on its licensed vehicles in the amount of \$500,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage. One vehicle, a 56-passenger bus, carries a \$1,000,000 limit per contractual requirements.

<u>Torts and Other Risks</u>: The University is exposed to a variety of civil claims resulting from the performance of its duties. The University has purchased commercial insurance to address this risk.

### NOTE 12: Segment Information (Not Applicable)

### NOTE 13: Bonded Indebtedness

#### **Bonds Pavable**

Detailed supplemental bond information is disclosed in Schedule 2A, Miscellaneous Bond Information; Schedule 2B, Changes in Bonded Indebtedness; Schedule 2C, Debt Service Requirements; Schedule 2D, Analysis of Funds Available for Debt Service; Schedule 2E, Defeased Bonds Outstanding; and Schedule 2F, Early Extinguishment and Refunding.

General information related to bonds payable is summarized below:

Board of Regents of Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System, Texas Public Finance Authority Revenue Bonds - Series 1998

- To provide funds for renovations to Miller Science Building.
- Issued 9-1-98
- \$6,000,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service:

Pledged Student Tuition

Other Pledged Revenues

Board of Regents of Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System, Texas Public Finance Authority Revenue Bonds - Series 2000

To provide funds for improvements to residence halls and student apartments.

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- Issued 3-1-00
- \$7,000,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service:

Pledged Student Tuition

Other Pledged Revenues

### Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds - Series 2002

- To provide funds for construction of a facility to replace the Birdwell Building, construction of a new Telecommunications and Networking building, renovations to Power Plant, and renovations to existing structures at the University.
- Issued 7-9-02
- \$14,070,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service:

**Pledged Student Tuition** 

Other Pledged Revenues

### Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds - Series 2002(A)

- To provide funds for renovation of the stadium press box.
- Issued 12-19-02
- \$1,320,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service:

**Pledged Student Tuition** 

Other Pledged Revenues

### Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds - Series 2004

- To provide funds for renovation and expansion, and equipment for, the University Center.
- Issued 2-18-04
- \$26,030,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service:

Pledged Student Tuition

Pledged Student Center Fees

Other Pledged Revenues

### Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds - Series 2004(A)

- To provide funds to construct a 400-space parking garage adjacent to the University Center.
- Issued 8-17-04
- \$5,460,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service:

Pledged Student Tuition

Pledged Student Center Fees

Other Pledged Revenues

### Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds - Series 2005

- To provide funds to construct a new student residence hall and associated parking garage; and to pay the costs related to the issuance of the Bonds.
- Issued 6-23-05
- \$17,215,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.
- Source of revenue for debt service: Pledged Revenues consisting of Unrestricted Current Funds
  Revenues excluding: remissions, governmental appropriations and gifts, grants and contracts within the
  Educational and General Fund Group; Higher Education Funds; and student service fees and private gifts
  in the Auxiliary Fund Group.

### Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds - Series 2005(A)

- To provide funds to construct a new student residence hall and associated parking garage; to construct a new student recreational center and to pay the costs related to the issuance of the Bonds.
- Issued 11-02-05
- \$55,365,000; all authorized bonds have been issued.

• Source of revenue for debt service:

Pledged Recreational Sports Fee

Other Pledged Revenues consisting of Unrestricted Current Funds Revenues excluding: remissions, governmental appropriations and gifts, grants and contracts within the Educational and General Fund Group; Higher Education Funds; and student service fees and private gifts in the Auxiliary Fund Group.

#### **Advance Refunding Bonds**

No bonds were advance refunded during the year.

### NOTE 14: Subsequent Events

During the 80<sup>th</sup> regular session of the Texas Legislature, legislators approved \$30,178,000 in funding for the University for Tuition Revenue Bonds for projects previously approved but not funded during the 79<sup>th</sup> legislative session. These projects included requests for funding for the Education Research Center and deferred maintenance projects. In October, 2007, the Board of Regents authorized the University to seek approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to build an Education Research Center at a project cost not to exceed \$28,000,000. The project will be funded with a portion of the approved tuition revenue bonds and the balance from general obligation bonds.

In addition, during the 80<sup>th</sup> regular session, legislators authorized \$13,000,000 of additional Tuition Revenue Bond funding for the University to construct a nursing facility on property donated to the University. This gift is contingent on the University's ability to use the building as a nursing facility within three years after the donor vacates the property. In October, 2007, the Board of Regents authorized the University to seek approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the construction of a nursing facility at a project cost not to exceed \$13,000,000.

### NOTE 15: Related Parties

Six entities exist to benefit the University: Stephen F. Austin State University Foundation, Inc.; SFA Real Estate Foundation, Inc.; Stephen F. Austin State University Alumni Association, Inc.; Stephen F. Austin State University Alumni Foundation, Inc.; Stephen F. Austin State University Tip-In Club; and, Stephen F. Austin State University Quarterjack Club. Since the University's Board of Regents is not financially accountable for these entities and does not appoint their board members, they are not considered Related Parties per GASB Statement 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, and GASB Statement 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units. Accordingly, their financial data are not included in this financial report.

The Stephen F. Austin State University Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of supporting the educational and other activities of the University. The Foundation solicits donations and acts as coordinator of gifts made by other parties for the use and benefit of the University. The University's Vice President for Development serves as the Executive Director of the Foundation and the University's President may serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Foundation's Board of Trustees. The University provides personnel, office space, equipment and supplies as necessary for the Foundation to carry out its responsibilities and activities.

The SFA Real Estate Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of supporting the mission of the University. It receives, holds, manages, and controls real property gifts or acquisitions which benefit the University's Vice President for Development serves as the Executive Director of the Foundation and the University's President may serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Foundation's Board of Trustees. The University furnishes certain services, such as office space, utilities, and some staff assistance, to the Foundation.

The Stephen F. Austin State University Alumni Association, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the alumni, friends, and current students of the University through programs, scholarships, and activities that create an attitude of continued loyalty and support. The University's Associate Vice President for Alumni Affairs serves as the Executive Director of the Alumni Association. The Alumni Association compensates the University for a portion of their employee support costs. The University provides certain services, such as office space, utilities, some staff assistance, and custodial services, to the Association.

The Stephen F. Austin State University Alumni Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit organization which exists to award scholarships to students at the University. The Alumni Foundation is housed within the Alumni Association. Therefore, the University provides the same office space, utilities, staff assistance and custodial services for the Alumni Foundation as it does for the Alumni Association.

The Stephen F. Austin Tip-In Club is a non-profit organization which exists with the sole purpose of supporting the Lumberjack Basketball program. It solicits donations, manages and holds gifts for the sole benefit of the intercollegiate men's basketball program. The University's Athletic Director serves as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Club's Board of Directors and reviews and approves activity to ensure compliance with National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) requirements.

The Stephen F. Austin Quarterjack Club is a non-profit organization which exists with the sole purpose of supporting the Lumberjack Football program. It solicits donations, manages and holds gifts for the sole benefit of the men's intercollegiate football program. The University's Athletic Director serves as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Club's Board of Directors and reviews and approves activity to ensure compliance with National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) requirements.

### NOTE 16: Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

The University administration is unaware of any non-compliance items.

### NOTE 17: The Financial Reporting Entity and Joint Ventures

The University is an agency of the State of Texas. The ten members of its Board of Regents are appointed by the Governor, and include one non-voting student Regent. The University has no component units or joint ventures.

### NOTE 18: Restatement of Net Assets -Not Applicable

#### NOTE 19: Employees Retirement Plans

The State of Texas has joint contributory retirement plans for all of its benefits-eligible employees. One of the primary plans in which the University participates is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). The contributory percentages of participant salaries currently provided by the State and by each participant are 6.0% and 6.4 %, respectively, of annual compensation. TRS does not separately account for each of its component government agencies, since the Retirement System itself bears sole responsibility for retirement commitments beyond contributions fixed by the State Legislature. Further information regarding actuarial assumptions and conclusions, together with audited financial statements, are included in TRS' annual financial report.

The State has also established an optional retirement program (ORP) for institutions of higher education for certain administrative personnel and faculty. Participation in the optional retirement program is in lieu of participation in TRS, and the selection to participate in ORP must be made in the first 90 days of eligibility. The optional retirement program allows participants to select from a variety of companies for the purchase of annuity contracts or to invest in mutual funds. The contributory percentages on salaries for participants entering the program prior to September 1995 are 8.5% and 6.65% by the State and each participant, respectively. The State's contribution is comprised of 6.00% from the ORP appropriation and 2.5% from other funding sources. The 6.00% contribution is mandatory with the other 2.5% being at the discretion of the Board. The Board has approved the additional contributions for these employees. The contributory percentages on salaries for participants entering the program after August 31, 1995, are 6.00% and 6.65% by the State and each participant, respectively. Since these are individual annuity contracts or mutual fund investments, the University has no additional or unfunded liability for this program.

### NOTE 20: Deferred Compensation

University employees may elect to defer a portion of their earnings for income tax and investment purposes pursuant to authority granted in the TEX. GOV'T. CODE ANN., sec 609.001. Two plans are available for employees: the 403(b) Tax Sheltered Annuity (TSA) plan and the Texasaver 457(b) plan. The TSA is administered by Stephen F. Austin State University. The 457(b) plan is administered by the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

### NOTE 21: Donor-Restricted Endowments

Donor-Restricted Endowment	Amounts of Net Appreciation	Reported in Net Assets
True Endowments	\$537,196.40	Funds Held as Permanent Endowments, Expendable
Term Endowments	1,332.82	Funds Held as Permanent Endowments, Expendable
Total	\$538,529.22	

The University spending policy was revised in 2007. The new policy provides for a target distribution rate of between 4 and 5 percent. If returns permit, an amount equal to the rate of inflation will be added back to each endowment principal balance. Additionally if there are any returns beyond the inflation rate, then this amount will be added to a contingency reserve that may be distributed during years of poor investment performance. In 2007, 4% of total earnings was distributed to scholarship accounts, 2.5% was added back to the balance of each individual endowment account and 3.06% was added to a contingency reserve.

### NOTE 22: Management Discussion and Analysis

See Pages 4-10.

### NOTE 23: Post Employment Health Care and Life Insurance Benefits (Not Applicable)

### NOTE 24: Special or Extraordinary Items (Not Applicable)

### NOTE 25: Disaggregation of Receivable and Payable Balances

#### **Accounts Receivables**

The components of Current Accounts Receivables, as reported in the Statement of Net Assets, are as follows:

Accounts Receivables Category	Current Amount
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Contracts on Student Receivables	\$1,340,098.54
Private Grants and Contracts Receivables	173,463.32
Miscellaneous Receivables	334,920.06
Total	\$1,848,481.92

### **Accounts Payables**

The components of Current Accounts Payables, as reported in the Statement of Net Assets, are as follows:

Accounts Payables Category	Current Amount
Payables on Construction Activity	\$176,264.55
Utility Payables	1,013,978.70
Bookstore Payables	571,656.21
Procurement Card Payables	866,125.98
Miscellaneous	1,587,928.52
Total	\$4,215,953.96

### NOTE 26: Termination Benefits - Not Applicable

### APPENDIX C

### FORM OF BOND COUNSEL OPINION

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### March 4, 2008

IN REGARD to the authorization and issuance of the "Texas Public Finance Authority Stephen F. Austin State University Revenue Financing System Revenue Bonds, Series 2008" (the "Bonds"), dated March 4, 2008 (the "Bond Date"), in the principal amount of \$20,175,000, we have examined the legality and validity of the issuance thereof by the Texas Public Finance Authority (the "Authority") on behalf of the Board of Regents (the "Board") of Stephen F. Austin State University (the "University"), which Bonds are issuable in fully registered form only. The Bonds have stated maturities of April 15, 2008 and October 15 in the years specified in the respective resolutions of the Authority and the Board authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (collectively, the "Resolution"), unless redeemed prior to maturity in accordance with the terms stated on the Bonds, and interest thereon accrues from the dates, at the rates, and in the manner and is payable on the dates, all as provided in the Resolution.

WE HAVE SERVED AS BOND COUNSEL for the Authority solely to pass upon the legality and validity of the issuance of the Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and with respect to the exemption of the interest on the Bonds from federal income taxes and none other. We have not been requested to investigate or verify, and have not independently investigated or verified, any records, data or other material relating to the financial condition or capabilities of the Authority, the Board or the University.

IN RENDERING THE OPINIONS herein we have examined and rely upon (i) original or certified copies of the proceedings of the Board and the Authority in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, including the Resolution, (ii) certifications and opinions of officers of the Authority and the Board relating to the expected use and investment of proceeds of the sale of the Bonds and certain other funds of the University and to certain other facts solely within the knowledge and control of the Authority and the University, and (iii) such other documentation, including an examination of the Bond executed and delivered initially by the Authority and the University (which we found to be in due form and properly executed), and such matters of law as we deem relevant to the matters discussed below. In such examinations, we have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original copies of all documents submitted to us as certified copies and the accuracy of the statements and information contained in such certificates.

BASED ON OUR EXAMINATIONS, IT IS OUR OPINION that, under applicable law of the United States of America and the State of Texas in force and effect on the date hereof that:

1. The Bonds have been duly authorized by the Authority and the Board, and the Bonds issued in compliance with the provisions of the Resolution are valid and legally binding special obligations of the Authority, issued on behalf of the Board, in accordance with the terms thereof, payable solely from and equally and ratably secured by a lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues (as defined in the Resolution), such lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues securing the Prior Encumbered Obligations, except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be

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affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights or the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity. The Resolution provides certain conditions under which the Authority and the Board may issue additional parity revenue obligations payable from the same source and secured in the same manner as the Bonds.

Assuming continuing compliance after the date hereof by the Authority and the Board with the provisions of the Resolution and in reliance upon representations and certifications of the Authority and the Board made in a certificate of even date herewith pertaining to the use, expenditure, and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds, interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes (a) will be excludable from gross income, as defined in Section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof (the "Code"), of the owners thereof pursuant to Section 103 of the Code and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions thereunder, and (b) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of individuals or, except as hereinafter described, corporations. Interest on all tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, owned by a corporation will be included in such corporation's adjusted current earnings for tax years beginning after 1989 for purposes of calculating the alternative minimum taxable income of such corporations, other than an S corporation, a qualified mutual fund, a real estate mortgage investment conduit, a real estate investment trust, or a financial asset securitization investment trust ("FASIT"). A corporation's alternative minimum taxable income is the basis on which the alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Code will be computed.

WE EXPRESS NO OPINION with respect to any other federal, state, or local tax consequences under present law or any proposed legislation resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or the acquisition or disposition of, the Bonds. Ownership of tax-exempt obligations such as the Bonds may result in collateral federal tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, life insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, owners of an interest in a FASIT, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement Benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations.

OUR OPINIONS ARE BASED on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service; rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based on our review of existing law that we deem relevant to such opinions and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above.

### APPENDIX D

### SPECIMEN MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY



## MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

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FINANCIAL SECURITY ASSURANCE INC. ("Financial Security"), for consideration received, hereby UNCONDITIONALLY AND IRREVOCABLY agrees to pay to the trustee (the "Trustee") or paying agent (the "Paying Agent") (as set forth in the documentation providing for the issuance of and securing the Bonds) for the Bonds, for the benefit of the Owners or, at the election of Financial Security, directly to each Owner, subject only to the terms of this Policy (which includes each endorsement hereto), that portion of the principal of and interest on the Bonds that shall become Due for Payment but shall be unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer.

On the later of the day on which such principal and interest becomes Due for Payment or the Business Day next following the Business Day on which Financial Security shall have received Notice of Nonpayment, Financial Security will disburse to or for the benefit of each Owner of a Bond the face amount of principal of and interest on the Bond that is then Due for Payment but is then unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer, but only upon receipt by Financial Security, in a form reasonably satisfactory to it, of (a) evidence of the Owner's right to receive payment of the principal or interest then Due for Payment and (b) evidence, including any appropriate instruments of assignment, that all of the Owner's rights with respect to payment of such principal or interest that is Due for Payment shall thereupon vest in Financial Security. A Notice of Nonpayment will be deemed received on a given Business Day if it is received prior to 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on such Business Day, otherwise, it will be deemed received on the next Business Day. If any Notice of Nonpayment received by Financial Security is incomplete, it shall be deemed not to have been received by Financial Security for purposes of the preceding sentence and Financial Security shall promptly so advise the Trustee, Paying Agent or Owner, as appropriate, who may submit an amended Notice of Nonpayment. Upon disbursement in respect of a Bond, Financial Security shall become the owner of the Bond, any appurtenant coupon to the Bond or right to receipt of payment of principal of or interest on the Bond and shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Owner, including the Owner's right to receive payments under the Bond, to the extent of any payment by Financial Security hereunder. Payment by Financial Security to the Trustee or Paying Agent for the benefit of the Owners shall, to the extent thereof, discharge the obligation of Financial Security under this Policy.

Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, the following terms shall have the meanings specified for all purposes of this Policy. "Business Day" means any day other than (a) a Saturday or Sunday or (b) a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York or the Insurer's Fiscal Agent are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed. "Due for Payment" means (a) when referring to the principal of a Bond, payable on the stated maturity date thereof or the date on which the same shall have been duly called for mandatory sinking fund redemption and does not refer to any earlier date on which payment is due by reason of call for redemption (other than by mandatory sinking fund redemption), acceleration or other advancement of maturity unless Financial Security shall elect, in its sole discretion, to pay such principal due upon such acceleration together with any accrued interest to the date of acceleration and (b) when referring to interest on a Bond, payable on the stated date for payment of interest. "Nonpayment" means, in respect of a Bond, the failure of the Issuer to have provided sufficient funds to the Trustee or, if there is no Trustee, to the Paying Agent for payment in full of all principal and interest that is Due for Payment on such Bond. "Nonpayment" shall also include, in respect of a Bond, any payment of principal or interest that is Due for Payment

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made to an Owner by or on behalf of the Issuer which has been recovered from such Owner pursuant to the United States Bankruptcy Code by a trustee in bankruptcy in accordance with a final, nonappealable order of a court having competent jurisdiction. "Notice" means telephonic or telecopied notice, subsequently confirmed in a signed writing, or written notice by registered or certified mail, from an Owner, the Trustee or the Paying Agent to Financial Security which notice shall specify (a) the person or entity making the claim, (b) the Policy Number, (c) the claimed amount and (d) the date such claimed amount became Due for Payment. "Owner" means, in respect of a Bond, the person or entity who, at the time of Nonpayment, is entitled under the terms of such Bond to payment thereof, except that "Owner" shall not include the Issuer or any person or entity whose direct or indirect obligation constitutes the underlying security for the Bonds.

Financial Security may appoint a fiscal agent (the "Insurer's Fiscal Agent") for purposes of this Policy by giving written notice to the Trustee and the Paying Agent specifying the name and notice address of the Insurer's Fiscal Agent. From and after the date of receipt of such notice by the Trustee and the Paying Agent, (a) copies of all notices required to be delivered to Financial Security pursuant to this Policy shall be simultaneously delivered to the Insurer's Fiscal Agent and to Financial Security and shall not be deemed received until received by both and (b) all payments required to be made by Financial Security under this Policy may be made directly by Financial Security or by the Insurer's Fiscal Agent on behalf of Financial Security. The Insurer's Fiscal Agent is the agent of Financial Security only and the Insurer's Fiscal Agent shall in no event be liable to any Owner for any act of the Insurer's Fiscal Agent or any failure of Financial Security to deposit or cause to be deposited sufficient funds to make payments due under this Policy.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, Financial Security agrees not to assert, and hereby waives, only for the benefit of each Owner, all rights (whether by counterclaim, setoff or otherwise) and defenses (including, without limitation, the defense of fraud), whether acquired by subrogation, assignment or otherwise, to the extent that such rights and defenses may be available to Financial Security to avoid payment of its obligations under this Policy in accordance with the express provisions of this Policy.

This Policy sets forth in full the undertaking of Financial Security, and shall not be modified, altered or affected by any other agreement or instrument, including any modification or amendment thereto. Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, (a) any premium paid in respect of this Policy is nonrefundable for any reason whatsoever, including payment, or provision being made for payment, of the Bonds prior to maturity and (b) this Policy may not be canceled or revoked. THIS POLICY IS NOT COVERED BY THE PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE SECURITY FUND SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 76 OF THE NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW.

In witness whereof, FINANCIAL SECURITY ASSURANCE INC. has caused this Policy to be executed on its behalf by its Authorized Officer.

By Authorized Officer

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