



To: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents  
From: John L. D'Agati  
Subject: Conferral of Degrees: Taylor Business Institute  
Date: January 30, 2012  
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### **SUMMARY**

#### **Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)**

Should the Board of Regents confer degrees upon students who successfully completed programs at Taylor Business Institute?

#### **Reason for Consideration**

Required by State statute and State regulation.

#### **Proposed Handling**

The question will come before the full Board at its February 2012 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

#### **Background Information**

On September 26, 2006, the State Education Department ordered the termination of all degree-granting programs at Taylor Business Institute at the end of the fall 2006 semester. To hold students harmless, the Regents will continue to be asked to confer degrees for those students who completed programs at Taylor before the institution was closed.

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents confer upon the individual listed, who has completed the requirements for her registered degree program at Taylor Business, the respective degree as listed.

## **Information in Support of Recommendation**

### **Taylor Business Institute**

Taylor Business Institute was authorized by the Board of Regents on March 24, 1972 to grant the Associate in Occupational Studies (A.O.S.) degree. The Institute was purchased from ITT Educational Services, Inc. by Phillips Colleges, Inc. on April 13, 1988. On January 31, 1997, TBIO, Inc. purchased Taylor Business Institute from Phillips Colleges, Inc. On April 4, 2002, the Institute was purchased by the Benhem Company, Inc. (a New York corporation). All academic awards are to be conferred on graduates by the Regents. On September 26, 2006, the State Education Department ordered the termination of all degree-granting programs at the Institute at the end of the fall 2006 semester. To hold students harmless, the Regents will continue to be asked to confer degrees for those students who completed programs at Taylor before the institution was closed.

### **Associate in Occupational Studies (A.O.S.)**

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