

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY REGARDING THE RESTORATION OF RESEARCH PROGRAM AND REPUTATION

Harland N. Prechel and John L. Boies

During 1999-2002, Texas A&M University conducted a scientific misconduct investigation that focused on the following two publications:

Prechel, H. and Boies, J. 1998. Capital Dependence, Financial Risk, and Change from Multidivisional to Multilayered Subsidiary Form. *Sociological Forum*, Vol. 13, No.2: 321-363 (referred to as the SF paper); and

Zey, Mary. 1998. The Transformation of Corporate Control to Owners and Form to the Multisubsiary: 1981-1993. *Research in Organizational Change and Development*, Volume II: 271-312. JAI Press Inc. (referred to as the ROCD paper).

This investigation was the result of a complaint by Mary A. Zey, in which she accused Harland N. Prechel and John L. Boies of plagiarism and data theft.

After a full investigation of these allegations, the Investigation Committee's findings, were the following:

Dr. Boies performed the original data analyses and interpretation that Dr. Zey modified for publication in the ROCD paper. Dr. Zey did not receive the data analysis and interpretation as part of her collaboration with Dr. Boies.

Dr. Boies performed most or all of the data summaries, data analyses, and interpretations of data that were performed for the SF paper.

With regard to the two publications in dispute, Drs. Prechel's and Boies' SF article therefore contains the legitimate and accurate table (Table VI) based on the data analyses and interpretation performed by Dr. Boies.

Only one set of data (including completed collection forms) related to the disputed papers was presented to the Investigation Committee, and it is the property of Dr. Prechel.

Dr. Prechel had research projects directly linked to the SF paper.

Drs. Prechel and Boies produced sufficient verifiable evidence of authorship to establish that they wrote the SF paper.

Thus, the Investigation Committee determined that neither Drs. Prechel nor Boies committed misconduct in science. On June 29, 2001, the Executive Vice President and Provost of Texas A&M University concurred with the Investigation Committee's report, and on July 25, 2001, the President of Texas A&M University upheld the findings. Subsequently, the findings were also accepted by the Office of Inspector General of the National Science Foundation.

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## CWS UPDATE

# Texas, Stanford have baseball rivalry brewing

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — There is nothing more for Texas to know about Stanford or Stanford to know about Texas.

Ten meetings in a period of 15 months have provided all the education either team needs heading into Thursday's semifinal showdown in the College World Series.

"Now it comes down to baseball," said Longhorn catcher Ryan Hubele. Hubele sees it as a plus when two teams know each other as well as these two.

"We're familiar with their team. They're familiar with us. It just comes down to baseball. You take all the variables out, what you don't know about the other team, their pitchers, their hitters. You throw it all out and it's just about baseball," he said.

Stanford holds a 6-4 edge in those past 10 games. The Cardinal sidelined Texas in last year's regional at Palo Alto, Calif.

The Longhorns won one of three regular-season meetings this season but came out on top of an 8-7 contest with the Cardinal in the second round of the CWS. Texas led 7-2 after four innings and had to hold on for the win.

Stanford rebounded with a 5-3 win over Notre Dame in a Tuesday elimination game to set up the semifinal rematch. Another game with Texas was OK with Cardinal center fielder Sam Fuld. He hit

.500 against the Longhorns in the three earlier meetings and was 3-for-5 against Texas on Monday at the CWS.

"They provide great competition for us so any time you get that, I don't think you get tired of it," he said.

Texas coach Augie Garrido said it will be a game of mutual respect, the type of rivalry college baseball needs to see more often.

"I think we do have a rivalry with them," Hubele said. "They're a great baseball club, one of the elite programs in the nation. We're up there also. Any time you can hook up with them, it's a good matchup. We've had competitive games every time we meet them."

Hubele and Fuld also will be renewing a friendship. They played on Team USA together last summer with Texas' Omar Quintanilla and Stanford's Tim Cunningham and Carlos Quentin.

"Those are great guys. I don't get to talk with them too much. Whenever we're on the ball field I talk to them," Hubele said. "But as soon as they step on the field and the competition starts, I want to beat them that day."

"Any time you play a team like Stanford it is a great challenge," Hubele said. "And anytime we've played them, it's been a great game. Every time we play them we look forward to the challenge."

# 'Dingerville' popular at CWS

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The College World Series has been an annual draw for a special kind of baseball fan — those who bring their homes with them to Rosenblatt Stadium.

For several decades a small area of grass, and sometimes mud, was home to a dozen or so recreational vehicles. The small community that sprouted every time the College World Series opened in Omaha was called "Dingerville" by the regulars.

As the tournament grew and Omaha tried to do more in and around the stadium, Dingerville became fan parking and a new RV park was fashioned just beyond the left field fences. Instead of fewer than two dozen RVs, this could host 64, complete with concrete parking and electrical hookups.

Many of the regulars were disappointed and took their camping business elsewhere. Others have found a home in the new CWS RV city.

"We don't have a name as far as I know," said Paul Knust of Omaha. He has been camping at the stadium since the new lot went in three years ago. Campers pay \$500 to park their RV and \$10 per day if they bring another vehicle with them.

"Some people were upset over the move and costs, but I think the city was doing something more to help the NCAA and city make more money and make it a better event," Knust said.

Knust said the fans still come, including LSU fans even when their Tigers don't qualify for the national tournament.

"Oh, they're awesome," Knust said. "Nice people. And there's quite a few from Texas. A lot are from Nebraska."

Knust has set up a couple of smoker barbecue grills to share with his weeklong neighbors. "That's what we do here, share food, supplies, stuff like that."

There are license plates from Nebraska, Texas, Louisiana, Indiana and Colorado remaining at the halfway point of the tournament.

TEXAS BACKING: Texas coach

Augie Garrido says he's part of a strong Texas family when it comes to school pride and winning tradition.

The baseball coach in Omaha for the College World Series says he gets regular encouragement from football coach Mack Brown and his staff, and basketball coach Rick Barnes. Former football coach and athletic director Daryl Royal has also called.

"It's a strong athletic family, coaches and staff," Garrido said.

**BREAKING NERVES:** Garrido had some experience in helping his teams relax before national championship games. He had to face that situation four times with Cal State-Fullerton. His Texas team won three of those title games.

He recalled this week that one of those previous teams was very nervous before a national championship game. Practice was going so badly because of the nerve problems Garrido said he stopped the workout.

He sent half his team to go cheer for one team in a nearby Little League game and the other half to cheer for the other youth team.

"That was our practice that day," he said. "Then my motivating talk that day was ... you know what, you're so uptight you can't play any way, so what's the first of it."

He then told his team if they won the national championship game, that was really going to be fun and if they lost the title, he was going to Hawaii and that was also going to be fun.

"I tried to find something. No matter what happened to them tomorrow, it was going to be fun for them. That was a long time ago, but this team is having fun playing baseball. I love being part of the team."

**STAT UPDATE:** Through 10 games of the College World Series this year the tournament was still waiting for its first grand slam. There has been at least one in every tournament since 1990.

## Rangers

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Young was walked intentionally to load the bases for Ludwick.

"Leadoff walks lead to a lot of trouble," Baylor said. "But our scouting report had

Ludwick hitting .111 (1-for-9) against the Orioles, and we thought Jeff could get the double play."

Fassero allowed three runs and three hits and walked two in 1 2-3 innings.

"I don't know if it would be better to be blasted, rather than giving up little hits in the middle," Fassero said. "It kinda stinks

## Korea

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South Koreans' game against Italy.

"There's been a change in perception on both sides, especially among youngsters," said Masao Okonogi, a Keio University professor of Korean studies. "In South Korea, there is less resistance to things Japanese."

Other experts warned the cool relations between the nations would return after the tournament.

"It's impossible for any sporting event, even the World Cup, to fundamentally change the way the two countries relate to each other," said Katsumi Sato, director of the Modern Korea Research Center, a Tokyo-based private think tank. "Nothing will change until officials on both sides stop manipulating bilateral relations for their own political ends."

For now, the South Koreans are enjoying

every second of their World Cup experience. Advancing to the second round for the first time was coach Guus Hiddink's challenge when he took over the South Korea team last year.

Opening the World Cup with a 2-0 win over Poland, the home team added a 1-1 tie against the United States and a 1-0 victory over Portugal to win its group. Midfielder Yoo Sang-chul said it sounded unbelievable, "but we didn't think we could lose."

"The nation's support has been a great strength for us," he said.

It'll be rooting again when the team plays Spain on Saturday in Gwangju, in the southwest part of the country.

Hiddink, who guided his native Netherlands to the semifinals at the 1998 World Cup in France, wanted fans to celebrate more before thinking of the next game.

"Our dream is going on," he said.