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WACO—Baylor University's Faculty Senate passed a resolution of no confidence in university President Robert Sloan Sept. 9, urging the board of regents to remove him.

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WACO—When regents of Baylor University meet Friday to consider the future of President Robert Sloan, and conduct other routine business, they will meet entirely behind closed doors.

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WACO-Rather than firing President Robert Sloan as five members of the board of regents and the Faculty Senate had asked, the 36-member board passed a vote of confidence in Sloan's leadership Sept. 12.

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DALLAS-The Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has tripled its staff devoted to helping Texas Baptist ministers and other clients of its retirement programs.

Previously, one area director related to the 5,700 congregations and 115 associations within the Baptist General Convention of Texas. Now, three area directors will share the responsibility.

Chris Elkins will work with churches and associations in the Panhandle and West Texas. His major cities include Abilene, Lubbock, Amarillo, El Paso, Brownwood and surrounding associations.

Around the State_92203

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Aaron Epps	Tiffany Epps	David Humphrey	Danyel Humphrey
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Dennis Janz	Jody Janz	Jeremy Taliaferro	Susan Taliaferro

Around the State

✘ Mathematics professor **Marsha Pool** recently was honored with Dallas Baptist Univeristy's highest honor of Master Teacher. Pool is the first person so designated by the university. Also voted professor of the year in 1991, Pool came to the campus in 1966. She is a member of First Church in Duncanville.

Appointments

Four couples with Texas ties were among the 61 missionaries commissioned by the International Mission Board Sept. 7 at Great Hills Church in Austin:

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By Ken Camp

Texas Baptist Communications

FORT WORTH-Some might say life threw Jim Hollars a curve ball when he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. But the church starter-turned-baseball chaplain just saw it as a change-up and adjusted his swing.

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VENTURA, Calif.-Small churches are small, and big churches are big for a reason, according to pollster George Barna.

There's more at work than location and population growth, two factors often cited as reasons for church growth.

In addition to those factors, Barna said, certain types of people prefer small churches or large churches, and all size churches play a role in doing God's work.

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A little over three years ago, I accepted the nomination of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and was elected to the board of regents at

Baylor University. Some months later, my brother David Brooks was chosen by President Robert Sloan to be Baylor's vice president and CFO. I neither participated in the interview process nor voted on his hiring.

When I first learned of President Sloan's intention to hire my brother, I immediately offered to step down from the board to remove any possibility of a conflict of interest. This offer was studied and considered by the Baylor administration and legal counsel. After the review was completed, I was assured by Baylor that my continued service was both desired and proper.

To safeguard against any potential conflicts of interest, Baylor developed very specific and strict guidelines about my participation in board activities. I have never served on any committee or participated in any board activity which directly related to my brother's work. I have voluntarily left board meetings when his salary or job performance was considered and voted upon. On a number of occasions during my tenure, I have renewed my offer to Baylor to resign as a regent in order to avoid the appearance of impropriety. Each time, I was told that my continued participation as a regent was fully acceptable to Baylor and permitted under the bylaws of the Baylor board of regents.

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WACO-Fall enrollment at Baylor University is down, but the university

made gains against some key enrollment goals this year.

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