Report on THECB Decisions Regarding Physics Programs
HEATHER GALLOWAY, Texas State University — In April 2010, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board adopted rules requiring bachelor’s programs to produce 25 majors in five years and master’s degree programs to produce 15 in five years. In Fall 2011, a number of physics programs were facing the loss of degree programs. Data regarding the decisions will be presented including the effects on non-physics areas. This presentation will focus on the discussion during the Coordinating Board meeting at which these appeals were presented and on the current coalition that is under consideration by the Coordinating Board.