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Eastern Washington University
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 April 9, 1993, 9:00 a.m.
 Spokane Center, Second Floor Mall

MINUTES

Board Members Present

Mrs. Jean L. Beschel
 Mr. Alfred L. Brisbois, Chair
 Mr. John V. Geraghty, Jr.
 Mr. Joe W. Jackson
 Mr. James L. Kirschbaum
 Mr. Michael C. Ormsby
 Dr. Julian J. Torres, Jr., Vice Chair

Staff Present

Ms. Elizabeth R. DeRuyter, Director, News Bureau and Communication Services
 Mr. Kenneth R. Dolan, Executive Assistant to the President/Secretary to the Board of Trustees
 Dr. Marshall E. Drummond, President
 Dr. Robert H. Elton, Dean of Graduate Affairs and Vice Provost for Research
 Dr. Fred J. Evans, Dean, College of Business Administration
 Dr. Elson S. Floyd, Executive Vice President
 Dr. Robert J. Gariepy, Dean, University Honors
 Dr. James I. Hoffman, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
 Mrs. Jane A. Johnson, Vice President for University Advancement
 Dr. William K. Katz, Dean, College of Education and Human Development
 Mr. Theron James Lochner, Director, Auxiliary Financial Services
 Ms. Maureen McGuire, Assistant Attorney General
 Dr. Allen C. Meadors, Dean, College of Health, Social and Public Services
 Dr. Karen L. Michaelson, Associate Vice Provost for Grants and Research Development
 Ms. Leslie L. Mowatt, Secretary, Office of the President
 Dr. Terry Novak, Dean, Extension for Urban and Regional Development
 Mrs. Jolynn P. Rogers, Director, Administrative Personnel and University Training
 Mrs. V. Louise Saylor, Dean of Libraries
 Mr. William J. Shaw, Chief Financial Officer
 Mr. Victor E. Wallace, Lieutenant, Campus Police
 Ms. Lesli K. Younger, Media Lab Coordinator, Spokane Center

Faculty Present

Dr. Elroy C. McDermott, Chair, Business Management
 Dr. Barbara S. Miller, President, Faculty Organization

Students Present

Mr. Michael Pendleton, President, ASEWU

Guests Present

Mr. Tom Sowa, Higher Education Reporter, Spokesman-Review
 Mr. Al Ogdon, Mayor, City of Cheney

Call to Order and Quorum, I. and II. - Mr. Brisbois

Chair Brisbois called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum was present.

Reports, III.

Trustee Reports, III.A.

Mrs. Beschel reported that the ground breaking ceremony for the Student Family Housing Project took place yesterday. Mrs. Beschel stated that this is a much needed project and will provide affordable housing for Eastern's students.

Spokane Joint Center for Higher Education Report, III.A.1. - Mr. Ormsby

Mr. Ormsby reported that although the capital budget has not been finalized, the Joint Center appears to be well positioned. He stated that this due to the efforts of Director Hugh Sullivan, Chair Dave Clack and Board Member Shirley Rector.

Mr. Geraghty asked if the trustees could get some type of briefing paper on activities for Riverpoint and SIRTI. Dr. Drummond stated that Dr. Terry Novak was appointed coordinator for the Riverpoint project and would be able to answer any specific questions regarding the progress of the project.

1993 Medal and Awards Recommendation, III.A.2. - Mr. Jackson

Mr. Jackson, the board's representative on the Medals and Awards Committee, presented the committee's recommendations for the 1993 recipients of the Burlington Northern Faculty Achievement Award, the Trustees' Medal and the Distinguished Service Award. The committee recommend that Mrs. Carol Vines receive the Distinguished Service Award, Dr. Dale Lindekugel be awarded the Burlington Northern Faculty Achievement Award, and Dr. Elroy McDermott receive the Trustees' Medal.

Motion #04-01-93: "I move that the board approve the medals and awards recommendation as presented by Mr. Jackson."

Motion by Mr. Kirschbaum; second by Dr. Torres; approved unanimously.

Presidents' Reports, III.B.

Faculty Organization, III.B.1. - Dr. Miller

Dr. Miller reported that the faculty have been working on several issues. The Liberal Arts Forums, in which a panel of five individuals has gone to each college and invited the faculty to discuss the reform, have sparked discussion, criticism and debate of the issues involved and are going well. The faculty will now come forth with some concrete proposals for the Liberal Arts reform.

The faculty have also participated in the combined budget committees that are looking at budget alternatives. Dr. Miller stated that the faculty are looking at an analysis of departmental efficiencies, such as enrollment and faculty teaching loads, that will be requested by the HECB. The Senate has been debating issues including basic skills, entrance requirements and testing

Mrs. Beschel noted that Dr. Miller will be giving a presentation on the Sistine Chapel next Thursday, April 15.

Associated Student, III.B.3. - Mr. Pendleton

Mr. Pendleton reported one of the main concerns of the students is the Cooperative Education Program. The program has received a lot of support from the students and is now getting more attention from the department chair and various program directors. The AS has done some research on the program. One of the options is to move the program to the individual departments. He stated that at other institutions where this has been done, there is a 50 to 60 percent drop in placements and internships. Mr. Pendleton stated that the Cooperative Education Program is something that Eastern has done very well and that we should continue. EWU places more students in internships than Washington State University and the University of Washington combined. He hoped that the support of the program continued.

Mr. Brisbois asked where Eastern's students are placed. Mr. Pendleton stated that students are placed throughout the nation. Dr. Drummond stated that the program was started with a federal grant of approximately \$150,000 per year. The grant, which runs out this year, has now become part of the budget and planning process. The transition from a federal grant to state funding or self-support will be addressed through that process. Dr. Drummond stated that both Dr. McDermott and Dr. Garvin are researching alternatives.

Mr. Geraghty stated that this is a great service to the students and community and asked about continuing grants. Dr. Drummond stated that as part of the grant process, we make a commitment to continue the activity and integrate it into the system, and a process needs to be set up to see that indeed the activity is integrated.

University, III.B.3. - Dr. Drummond

Dr. Drummond stated that Eastern will celebrate its first Founder's Day during the month of April. The event will honor the founders of the university and the faculty. The university was founded in April, 1882. Eastern will recognize that event on Friday, April 23, with a variety of scholarly and celebratory events honoring past and present faculty. The peak event will be the Founder's Day Convocation at 10:00 a.m. on April 23 in the Showalter auditorium. Our honored guest speaker is Leon Botstein, President of Bard College in New York and Conductor/Music Director of the American Symphony Orchestra in New York City. His presentation is entitled "The Future of Liberal Learning in the American University." The medal winners will be honored, along with the PTI Founder's Day Deans' Awards. Dr. Drummond also invited the board to attend the Founder's Day Fine Arts Symposium which will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Spokane City Council Chamber.

National Library Week is April 18-24 and will be observed at Eastern with a number of activities which promote this year's theme that "Libraries Change Lives." Events include Dr. Miller's presentation, "The New Sistine Chapel: Michaelangelo's Frescoes Restored alla bellezza originale," at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 15, at the Cheney Cowles Museum and "The Dynamics of Change: How and Why the Cheney Academy Became Eastern Washington University," a talk by Jay Rea, University Archivist, at noon on Tuesday, April 20, in the JFK Library Auditorium.

The College of Business Administration has organized a group of alumni and business people on the west side of the state to help with alumni events and other activities. The first event is a Breakfast Roundtable, scheduled for the Washington Athletic Club on April 28.

Intercultural Week, celebrating cultural uniqueness and diversity, will be the same week of April 18-24, and will feature international foods, a fashion show, ethnic dances and more.

Dr. Drummond stated that the Native American Pow Wow is to be held on April 16-17. The American Indian Studies Program is sponsoring several activities during American Indian

Awareness Week, April 12-17, including the play, "According to Coyote," Wednesday, April 14, at The Met in Spokane, and noon, Thursday, April 15, in the Showalter Auditorium.

The Cinco de Mayo Festival, April 28-May 5, is a traditional event celebrating the Chicano heritage. It has been expanded this year to offer not only the annual banquet, but performances by a California-based national Chicano theatre company, music presentations and lectures.

The Killin Weekend, in honor of Orland Killin, that benefits the Orland Killin Academic Scholarship Fund will be May 7-8. Highlights include the sixth annual Coaches Golf Tournament, Spring Football Scrimmage and the Lobster Dinner/Dance on Saturday evening.

Dr. Drummond stated that Campus Pride Day, a Family First project, is scheduled for May 13. A barbecue, outdoor concert, tree planting and outdoor clean-up activities are planned, beginning at 11 a.m. in the Governor's Mall.

In faculty and staff updates, Dr. Drummond reported that Dr. Allen C. Meadors, Dean of the College of Health, Social and Public Services, has been elected to the executive committee of Planned Parenthood of Spokane and Whitman counties for 1993-94. He was also recently elected to a second three-year term on the Journal of Rural Health editorial board and re-elected secretary of the board. Two faculty members from the University of Cape Coast in Ghana, West Africa, Jane Opoku Agyemang, whose subject is African literature, and Raphael Montford, who teaches political and economic geography of Africa, are teaching at EWU this spring. Also, two Eastern faculty members, Frank Kazemek, Associate Professor of Education, and Lynn Stephens, Professor of Accounting are teaching at the University of Cape Coast.

Dr. Linda McCollum, Professor of Geology, has received a two-year \$50,000 National Science Foundation grant for undergraduate research on "Pattern of Extinction and Replacement at the Lower-Middle Cambrian Boundary Event in the Great Basin, Western U.S."

The toll-free calling network between Cheney and Spokane, which had been scheduled to go into effect the first of March and was delayed, will now be put into service the 24th of this month. This will enable persons calling between EWU and Spokane to call toll free.

New York sculptor Robert Lobe installed a site-specific sculpture on the campus mall during spring break. One-half of one percent of the value of all new state-funded construction projects is dedicated to artwork.

Eastern's nursing students attending the Intercollegiate Center for Nursing Education (ICNE) are now being counted with WSU student figures, a change made by the state to align ICNE's enrollment figures with its state budget, which the center receives through WSU. EWU's ICNE students will continue to receive their degrees, counseling and some of their financial aid from Eastern.

Finally, Dr. Drummond read a letter he received from Governor Lowry regarding the cooperative partnership with the Community Colleges of Spokane. (See attachment #1.)

Action Items, IV.

Minutes of the February 26, 1993 Board of Trustees' Meeting, IV.A.* - Mr. Brisbois

Motion #04-02-93: "I move that the minutes of the February 26, 1993 Board of Trustees' Meeting be approved as corrected."

Motion by Mr. Ormsby; second by Mr. Kirschbaum; approved unanimously.

Interagency Cooperative Agreement for Joint Facilities Usage, IV.B. - Dr. Floyd

Mr. Ormsby excused himself from consideration of this matter due to a possible conflict of interest.

Dr. Floyd stated that approximately two years ago, recognizing the need for athletic facilities for the community, the university engaged in discussions with the Cheney School District, the City of Cheney and the Chamber of Commerce.

The school district was considering expansion of the high school football field, the city was receiving comments from the track club regarding an improved track facility, and Eastern was looking into a new track facility, as the current one is not usable for track meets or academic classes. With this need for a new facility, a small group from each of the constituencies met and agreed to pool resources and funds to get an improved track facility, as Phase I, and an expansion of the stadium as a Phase II project.

The university has \$600,000 in capital funds for the track project. The school district will contribute an initial payment of \$100,000 and \$30,000 per year for eight years. The city will provide the lights for the stadium. Phase II, the stadium expansion, will use no state funds.

Dr. Floyd stated that administration is requesting the authority to finalize the interagency agreement between the university, the City of Cheney and the Cheney School District for usage of the track facility. The proposed interagency cooperative agreement sets forth the financial and operating guidelines for the track and Woodward Stadium. Some modifications in the wording may still be needed before final adoption. Since discussions are still ongoing as to the final wording of the document, it is presented in draft form for the board's consideration. The document has been reviewed by representatives from the Cheney School District, the City of Cheney and university staff.

Mr. Geraghty asked if the \$0.50 admissions tax would include all activities held at the facility. Dr. Floyd stated that the city wants only EWU events to be charged the tax but the issue is being discussed. There is a firm commitment from the city for stadium lighting. The lighting will be installed so that the load and structure are able to accommodate university night games, if needed.

Mr. Geraghty also asked if crowd management services would be under the university's control. Dr. Floyd stated that this issue is one the Joint Facilities Advisory Committee would oversee.

Mr. Geraghty thanked the administration, Mayor Ogden and Superintendent Rulffes for working together and cooperating on this project for the betterment of the community.

Motion #04-03-93: "I move that the board grant the administration the authority to enter into the interagency cooperative agreement with the City of Cheney and the Cheney School District for the financing and operation of the joint facilities at Woodward Stadium."

Motion by Mr. Geraghty; second by Mr. Kirschbaum; approved unanimously.

Room and Board Rates for the 1993-94 Academic Year, IV.C. - Dr. Floyd

Dr. Floyd stated that the administration is asking the board to approve the room and board rates for the 1993-94 academic year. As proposed, the basic rate for double occupancy in the residence halls for room and board is not scheduled to increase. There are small increases in single room rates and some increases in the apartment units operated by the university. While some of these rate increases are relatively high, housing in the university operated apartment units is still highly competitive with housing available in the City of Cheney.

Mr. Kirschbaum questioned the expense side of services as to whether or not Eastern was making or losing money on the residence halls. Dr. Floyd stated that elements of the pricing structure are different at each institution, but Eastern currently has a healthy fund balance. Mr. Kirschbaum questioned the refinancing to lower the debt service and whether or not that should have had an effect on the rates. Dr. Drummond stated that the refinancing was for renovation projects in the residence halls. The housing system is self-supporting. Mrs. Beschel stated that this hold on pricing helps with access to higher education. In addition to the refurbishing, the administration has also looked into designating certain halls to accommodate specific groups of students, adding to the quality of residence hall life.

Motion #04-04-93: "I move that the board approve the room and board rates for the 1993-94 academic year as presented."

Motion by Mr. Kirschbaum; second by Mr. Jackson; approve unanimously.

Pence Union Building Expansion Funding Authority, IV.D. - Dr. Floyd

Mr. Ormsby excused himself from consideration of this matter due to a possible conflict of interest.

Dr. Floyd stated that the proposed action being requested from the board is to allow the university to utilize reserve funding from the Associated Students in the amount of \$359,919 to award a contract for consulting services for the PUB expansion project. The request is not to award a contract to any specific consultant. The \$359,919 will come from available funds in the AS reserve account. The undesignated reserves totaled \$761,500 at the beginning of this fiscal year.

Motion #04-05-93: "I move that the board authorize the administration to proceed with the funding authority for the Pence Union Building Expansion."

Motion by Mr. Kirschbaum; second by Mrs. Beschel; approved unanimously.

Information Items, V.

Legislative Update, V.A. - Dr. Drummond

Dr. Drummond stated that Mr. Durrie was not available to attend the board meeting, as he was involved in legislative matters in Olympia. The Senate budget was released yesterday and the provisions for higher education were slightly more favorable than Governor's Budget. The House budget will be probably be released on Monday.

Dr. Drummond stated that Eastern's two priorities are the Library Expansion Project and flexibility in setting graduate and professional program rates, waivers and fees. Neither priority is currently doing well. The Library Expansion was dropped from Senate Capital Budget. Dr. Drummond stated that Eastern has a strong case for the project and will be lobbying hard to put it in the House Capital Budget.

The Civil Service Reform Bills have been slowly taken apart and will probably not carry much weight when they are finally passed.

Internal Budget Process, V.B. - Dr. Floyd

Dr. Floyd stated that budget process includes three major budget committees. These are the Business Affairs Council (BAC), the University Planning and Budgeting Advisory Council (UPBAC) and the President's Planning and Budgeting Council (PPBC). The BAC deals with

primarily academic budget matters. The UPBAC includes representation from the classified staff, administration, students and faculty. The PPBC is a smaller version of the UPBAC with all constituents represented. Budget recommendations will come from the BAC to the UPBAC, then on to the PPBC and president and, finally, to the Board of Trustees. This year, joint meetings have been held with all three groups. The first series of meetings were informational and issues such as the budgeting process were discussed. Any budget reduction recommendations will come through these committees.

Dr. Drummond stated that these committees are structured to keep constituents informed and used as a forum to gather consensus on priorities and recommendations for the general direction the university will take with budget cuts. The committees are used for education and ideas. Once consensus is reached, the vice presidents are then charged to come back with specific operating recommendations.

Dr. Drummond stated that this is not the DAD model; decide, announce, defend. These committees are set up to ask for assistance, input and teamwork and a great amount of time is involved. These committees also work with funding priorities, as well as with prioritizing cuts.

Mr. Geraghty stated that the university has come a long way in terms of openness, involvement and shared governance. He thanked everyone involved in the process and stated that we have a tough time ahead, but if we work together the university will make it through the cuts.

ASEWU Supplemental Budget Summary for Winter Quarter 1993, V.C. - Dr. Floyd

Dr. Floyd presented, as an informational item, the Associated Students supplemental budget summary for winter quarter for 1993.

Old Business/New Business, VI.

No old or new business was indicated.

Executive Session, VII.

Chair Brisbois called an executive session from 10:15 a.m. to 10:57 a.m. for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters.

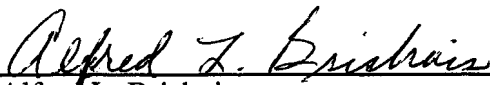
Personnel Actions, VIII.*

Motion #04-06-93: "I move that the Board approve the personnel actions and addendum as presented." (See attachment #2.)

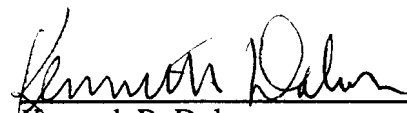
Motion by Dr. Torres; second by Mrs. Beschel; approved unanimously.

Adjournment, IX.

Chair Brisbois adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.



Alfred L. Brisbois
Chair



Kenneth R. Dolan
Secretary