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Eastern Washington State College

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD
OF
TRUSTEES MEETING

Wednesday, May 28, 1969
Tawanka Commons
EWSC
Cheney, Washington

The Board of Trustees of Eastern Washington State College held a special business meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 1969, in the Tawanka Commons of Eastern Washington State College in Cheney, Washington. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairman L. G. Carmody. The following were present:

Board Members

Mr. L. G. Carmody
Mr. Harvey Erickson
Mr. Thomas F. Meagher
Mr. Melvin B. Voorhees
Mrs. Frederick Wilson, Jr.

Staff

Dr. Emerson Shuck, President
Mr. John Lothspeich, Board Secretary

Guests

An estimated 300 staff members, students, and interested citizens attended the meeting.

DISCUSSION OF CLENCHED FIST ISSUE

Mr. Voorhees made a motion to pass onto Agenda Item No. VII -- Clenched Fist Salute. Mrs. Wilson seconded the motion, and it was passed.

Chairman Carmody then called on representatives from the Black Student Union and Athletic Department, as well as individual athletes, students, and others to speak pro and con on the issue. Chairman Carmody also read one of several letters received which included a request that it be read at the Special Board Meeting.

Chairman Carmody departed the hearing at 9:05 p.m., and Mr. Voorhees, Vice-Chairman of the Board, assumed the Chairmanship.

Mr. Voorhees, after recognizing one additional person to speak on the issue, recessed the meeting, and the Board of Trustees adjourned to a closed session.

Mr. Meagher left the closed session and stated that he was questioning the parliamentary procedure of the Acting Chairman and his right to cast a vote on the issue.

The Board of Trustees reconvened at 9:35 p.m. to announce that no decision had been made and that the matter was being deferred for several days.

Mr. Voorhees then pronounced the meeting adjourned without referring to items one through six on the Agenda. Mr. Voorhees adjourned the Special Meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Approved:

L. G. Carmody, Chairman

John H. Lothspeich, Secretary

Melvin B. Voorhees, Vice-Chairman

AGENDA

Board of Trustees Special Meeting
called by Board Members
7 p.m., May 28, 1969
Marigold Room, Tawanka Commons
EWSC

I would like to recommend to the Board that they consider several items of old business held over from the regular May meeting prior to the discussion on the Clinched Fist Salute. These items include:

- I. The Publication Committee's recommendation which was received at the last meeting, and we are attaching an additional copy in case you possibly mislaid your former copy. (Attachment I)
- II. The request from Sutton Hall residents to reduce the administration's established capacity of 91 students for their dorm. (Attachment II)
- III. The annual calendar for Board meetings as presented at the May meeting. There seems to be some conflict developing with the June and July meeting dates which should be reconciled at our special meeting. (Attachment III)
- IV. A recommendation to the Attorney General for Bond Counsel for the 1969 Tuition Bonds which was deferred from the May 18 meeting.

I have asked both Dr. Loomis and Mr. Johns about items that might be ready for the Special Meeting that if considered by the Board could eliminate the need for a June meeting. Dr. Loomis has given me two items, and Mr. Johns said that he felt he could have a budget prepared for consideration which should be acted on before July 1. If these additional items would not create too great a burden on the Special Meeting, the Board might wish to consider them in lieu of the holding a June meeting.

V. Building, Planning and Construction

- A. The award of construction contracts for Boyington and Read, Architects, work contingent upon the receipt of bids within the authorized maximum cost. (Attachment V-A-1)
- B. Bids for the construction of utility tunnels at a maximum cost of \$420,000. Copies of bids received are attached. (Attachments V-A-1, V-B-1)

VI. Business and Finance

VII. Discussion of Clenched Fist Salute

VIII. Adjournment