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MINUTES

Board Members Present

Mrs. Jean L. Beschel, Vice Chair
Mr. Al Brisbois
Mrs. Eleanor E. Chase
Mr. John V. Geraghty, Jr.
Mr. Joe W. Jackson
Mr. James L. Kirschbaum, Chair
Mr. Michael C. Ormsby

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, Vice Provost for Graduate Affairs and Research
Dr. Fred J. Evans, Dean, College of Business Administration
Dr. Elson S. Floyd, Vice President for Student Services
Ms. Ruth A. Galm, Assistant Director, Grants and Research Development
Dr. Ernest H. Gilmour, Senior Vice President and Provost
Ms. Isabelle W. Green, Director, Alumni Relations
Mrs. Jane A. Johnson, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. William R. Kidd, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs and Academic Personnel
Mr. Leonard H. Klatt, Associate Vice President of Human Resources
Mrs. Sandra L. Kruse, Administrative Assistant to the President
Mr. Theron J. Lochner, Director, Budget Services
Ms. Maureen McGuire, Assistant Attorney General
Ms. Leslie L. Mowatt, Administrative Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Mrs. Gayle M. Ogden, Affirmative Action Officer, Special Assistant to the President
Ms. Darlene Ritter, Director, Housing and Dining Services
Ms. Judy E. Samples, Director, Community Relations
Mr. William J. Shaw, Chief Financial Officer, Business and Financial Services
Mr. Gregory L. Sheridan, Executive Director, Foundation
Mrs. Ann White, Administrative Secretary B, University Advancement

Faculty Present

Mr. George A. Durrie, Associate Professor of Government; President, Faculty Organization

Students Present

Mr. Dennis Worsham, President, ASEWU

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

Chair Kirschbaum called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. A quorum was present.

Reports, III.

Trustee Reports, III.A.1.

Chair Kirschbaum congratulated Mike and Jeannette Ormsby on the arrival of their new baby, Erin Elizabeth. He then presented Mr. Ormsby with a gift from the board and administration of Eastern Washington University.

Mrs. Beschel reported that the Spokane Downtown Development Plan, an element of the city's Comprehensive Plan, has been presented to the City Council, who will continue its hearing on either March 4 or 18. The plan is highly supportive of higher education and Eastern's presence in the Central Business District (CBD), and recognizes the interaction of Eastern, not only with the presence of our students in the CBD, but with faculty, staff and students' participation in the CBD's financial, retail, civic, business, health, arts and entertainment areas. Eastern is also noted as an available and willing resource for informational assistance.

Also, the Spokane Central Business Association recently held their quarterly meeting at which President Drummond, as the principal speaker, presented an excellent update on SIRTI and Eastern to this supportive, increasingly active, and growing organization.

Mrs. Beschel also reported that she was fortunate enough to be able to tour the University of Arizona campus at Tucson. The campus is unified by red brick buildings and clearly defined boundaries. Despite its "downtown location", it further reinforced her belief in the importance of a campus master plan. Mrs. Beschel stated that this becomes increasingly important as we continue to assess the future physical locations of our offerings, the trends toward which various courses are heading, and our role in higher education and the delivery of that information.

Mr. Geraghty thanked Mrs. Beschel on behalf of the board for the fine job she is doing with the Central Business District. He stated that we owed a debt of gratitude to Mrs. Beschel for representing Eastern's interests in these important committees and organizations.

Presidents' Reports, III.B.

Faculty Organization, III.B.1. - Mr. Durrie

Mr. Durrie reported that the Faculty Senate debate was very spirited about the Areas of Emphasis paper. He felt that this culmination of the six year plan put into focus Eastern's priorities, giving us a rough sketch of the next six years. Mr. Durrie stated that forums will be held in each of the colleges regarding the Areas of Emphasis, where faculty will be made more aware of the priorities, and responses from faculty members will be requested. The final document will be presented to the board in the late spring.

Associated Students, III.B.2. - Mr. Worsham

Mr. Worsham reported on a recent retreat by the student government where they reviewed the last year and the goals they had set and reached. He also updated the board on the meetings of the non-traditional student group and the Cultural Diversity Task force. Both groups are making great

progress. Mr. Worsham reported that the primary elections for student government were held yesterday, February 21, and the general election would be next Thursday, February 28. He stated that this election had the most candidates ever to run for offices at Eastern. The new officers will officially be in place after graduation.

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

Dr. Drummond reported that legislative action continues in Olympia. On January 29, 1991, Dr. Drummond testified to the Senate Ways and Means Committee, on February 11, 1991, to the House Appropriations Committee, and sometime in early March, would testify to the House Capital Facilities and Financing Committee. The message Dr. Drummond is presenting to each of these committees is the need: first, for restoration of the carry forward budget and, second, to solve the chronic faculty salary lag that exists at Eastern. Dr. Drummond stated that he is also setting forth capital priorities in Spokane, such as funding to plan for the future of the Riverpoint Higher Education Park. Another important issue being presented to these committees is the planning and expansion of John F. Kennedy Library and the Spokane Center.

Another legislative matter Dr. Drummond discussed is Senator Gerald L. Saling's Educational Opportunity Act of 1991. This act would provide for enrollment increases while offering funding formulas for these increases. The act would allow for approximately 500 additional students, but result in a tuition increase and loss of waivers.

The following items were also noted in Dr. Drummond's report to the board. In the near future, the Cultural Diversity Task Force will be meeting. The first step of the task force is to set up a forum to determine priorities. Then, the task force must deal with the relevant issues to create more diversity.

The cutoff date for Spring quarter enrollment is March 4, 1991. This is necessary to keep from exceeding the state-mandated enrollment cap.

The College of Business Administration plans to begin a more selective admissions process by raising its entrance requirements. As of February 20, 1991, 2380 students had applied and 1371 have been admitted. These figures compare to 2214 applicants and 1289 admittances in 1990.

Eastern has received a grant from the Office of the Superintendent for Public Instruction under the Washington Higher Education Competitive Grant Program. The grant will be used to conduct a series of workshops directed to teachers who teach Native Americans. The workshops will concentrate on local environments.

An endowed scholarship has been established with the EWU Foundation in memory of Barbara Craner. Barbara was a graduate and employee of Eastern who passed away last October. Barbara worked for Dr. Drummond in the Planning, Budgeting and Institutional Research Department.

The Black History Month Banquet will be held Saturday, February 23, 1991, at Cavanaugh's Inn at the Park at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Norman B. Rice is the feature speaker.

Eastern will host the 1991 National Collegiate Cycling Championships May 18-19. More than 225 of the nation's top collegiate cyclists are expected to attend.

Mr. C. Paul Sandifur, President of Metropolitan Mortgage and Securities Company, will become the newest member of the President's Council when they meet on March 1, 1991.

Some recent activities and honors for Eastern faculty include; Ursula Hegi's novel, *Floating in My Mother's Palm*, was judged among the best five books by the Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association; Dr. Robert Gariepy, Dean of University Honors, has been acting in the recent play at the Civic Theatre, directing a play for the Rogue Players, and will direct a play for the Spokane Children's Theatre in April; Dr. Allen Meadors, Dean of the College of Health, Social, and Public Services, has been elected secretary of the editorial board of *The Journal of Rural Health*; Dr. Frank Kazemek, Associate Professor of Education, was recently reappointed by the International Reading Association to the Editorial Advisory Board for the *Journal of Reading*; Mr. James Rosengren has joined the staff at Eastern as Associate Director of the Exhibit Touring Services; and Dr. Carlos Maldonado, Director of the Chicano Education Program, has been chosen to sit on the Governor's Ethnic Heritage Award jury.

Action Items, IV.

Minutes of the January 25, 1991 Board of Trustees' Meeting, IV.A.* - Mr. Kirschbaum

Motion #02-01-91: "I move that the minutes of the January 25, 1991, Board of Trustees' Meeting be approved with minor editing changes."

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

Veteran's Day Holiday, IV.B. - Mr. Klatt

In response to a recommendation from the Joint Labor/Management Committee, the administration recommends that the board reinstate Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11, 1991, as a holiday for all university employees. Under the holiday schedule approved earlier, only faculty and students observed Veteran's Day. Administrative and civil service staff will give up one holiday, scheduled for Monday, December 23, 1991, so that they may observe Veteran's Day on Monday, November 11, 1991.

Motion #02-02-91: "I move that the board approve the proposed change to the holiday schedule and adopt Veteran's Day, November 11, 1991, as a holiday for all university employees."

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

Property Purchase - DNR Land, IV.C. - Mr. Shaw

The Department of Natural Resources has increased the annual lease of the property shown on page 18 of the board book, adjacent to Washington Street, from \$6,033 to \$10,385. This property currently includes the location of the football stadium, baseball field, other play and practice fields, and the parking lots serving the athletic facilities.

Instead of paying the annual lease, the administration is recommending that the university purchase the property from the Department of Natural Resources. The purchase price of the property is estimated to be \$114,900, although it is possible the price may be lower based on a scheduled appraisal. The funds for the acquisition of this property would come from the minor capital account and would require legislative authorization.

Mrs. Beschel questioned whether or not Eastern had other land they might be able to trade for the DNR land in question, instead of purchasing the land from DNR. Mr. Shaw stated that they would certainly check into that option.

Motion #02-03-91: "I move that the board authorize the administration to begin discussions with the Department of Natural Resources for the purchase or trade of the land discussed in the back-up material for a price not more than \$114,900."

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

Information Items, V.

Grants and Contracts Report, V.A. - Dr. Michaelson

Ms. Ruth Galm, Assistant Director of Grants and Research Development, presented the grants and contracts report. Ms. Galm reported that the total grants and contracts received as of January 31, 1991, more than \$3.5 million, is the same amount that was received in the entire fiscal year for 1990. Ms. Galm also noted that the Archaeological and Historical Services Department would be celebrating its 10 year anniversary on campus with a reception at the Spokane Center on March 7.

Chair Kirschbaum thanked and congratulated Ms. Galm and the entire grants and contracts staff on their excellent job they are doing.

ASEWU Quarterly Supplemental Expenditures - Fall Quarter 1990, V.B. - Dr. Floyd

Dr. Floyd reported that the total ASEWU supplemental expenditures for fall quarter 1990 were \$10,150.00.

Old Business/New Business, VI.

Executive Session, VII.

Chair Kirschbaum called an executive session from 9:30 a.m. to 10:06 a.m. for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters.

Personnel Actions, VIII.*

Motion #02-04-91: "I move that the Board approve the personnel actions and the two addendum." (See attachments #1 and #2)

Motion by Mr. Ormsby; second by Mrs. Chase; approved unanimously.

Temporary Appointing Authority for President Drummond, VIII.A.

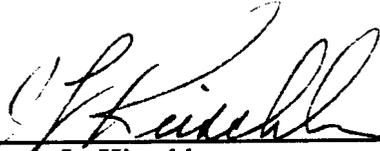
Motion #02-05-91: "I move that the Board grant temporary appointing authority to President Drummond due to the length of time between meetings."

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

Chair Kirschbaum noted that University House would be put up for sale. He stated that we had accomplished our goal of high visibility in Spokane and that although we would be selling the house, the president will continue to reside in Spokane and maintain a high profile.

Adjournment. IX.

Chair Kirschbaum adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.



James L. Kirschbaum
Chair



Kenneth R. Dolan
Secretary