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Eastern Washington University
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 28, 1994, 9:00 a.m.
Louise Anderson Hall, First Floor Lounge

MINUTES

Board Members Present

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

Staff Present

J.D. Annie Cole, Dean of Students
Dr. Richard Curry, Dean, Letters and Social Sciences
Mr. Kenneth R. Dolan, Executive Assistant to the President/Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Dr. Marshall E. Drummond, President
Dr. Fred J. Evans, Dean, College of Business Administration
Mrs. Carol Golden, Secretary, Office of the President
Dr. Robert C. Herold, Vice Provost, International Studies, Summer Session and Special Programs
Dr. James I. Hoffman, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Dr. Russell S. Hubbard, President, Faculty Organization
Mrs. Jane A. Johnson, Vice President for University Advancement
Dr. William K. Katz, Dean, Education and Human Development
Dr. Allen C. Meadors, Dean, Health, Social and Public Services
Dr. Karen L. Michaelson, Associate Vice Provost, Grants and Research
Mrs. Gayle M. Ogden, Associate Vice President for Human Resources/Affirmative Action Officer
Ms. Rose Poirot, Director of Marketing and Publications
Mr. Patrick C. Rast, Executive Vice President, Local 931
Mrs. Louise V. Saylor, Dean of Libraries
Mr. William J. Shaw, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Michael Stewart, Vice Provost for Planning and Budget
Mrs. Carol L. Terry, Director, Budget Services
Mr. Christopher A. Wavada, Television Equipment Operator Lead
Lt. Victor E. Wallace, Campus Police

Faculty Present

Students Present

Ms. Niharika Bhasin, President, Associated Students
Ms. Michelle Schroeder, Executive Assistant for External Affairs, Associated Students

Guests Present

Ms. Maureen McGuire, Assistant Attorney General
Mr. James M. Reinbold, City Administrator, City of Cheney

Call to Order and Quorum, I. and II. - Dr. Torres

Chair Torres called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was present.

Reports, III.

Trustee Reports, III.A. - Mrs. Beschel

Mr. Michael Ormsby reported on the Joint Center for Higher Education. The SIRT facility is nearing completion and will be open next fall. Architectural work is now being completed on the second building on the Joint Center campus and ground should be broken in March or April of this year. The third building on the campus is in the "soft phase" of the governor's capital budget for the next year. Dr. Drummond noted that as soon as the contracts are let for the construction of the first building, the Joint Center plans to move quickly to gain approval for beginning the third building. Plans at this time show the building will hold the Health Sciences of Washington State and Eastern, i.e., physical therapy, dental hygiene, audiology, speech hearing, etc., that Eastern currently offers in Spokane.

Mr. Geraghty asked if the College of Business will be moved to this location and if Eastern's administrative offices that are now located at Riverpoint would be moved and when. Dr. Drummond stated that the university is following the HECB's long range plan for Spokane which states that business and other professional programs would primarily be situated in Spokane. There will be a core programming in Cheney but, as is already the case, graduate and other upper division courses already in Spokane will be relocated to the new site. Dr. Drummond noted that the offices at Riverpoint are currently being rented from funds given to support SIRT and will be vacated as soon as new offices are available.

Dr. Drummond noted that the building at First and Wall may become a headquarters for continuing education and summer sessions. Plans are to use this space for self-supporting programming activities of the university.

Presidents' Reports, III.B.

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

Dr. Russell Hubbard reported on the current activities of the Faculty Organization. President Drummond, Jeff Corkill, and Steve Pulkkinen, Representative of the United Faculty of Eastern, and Dr. Hubbard met and had a pre-election conference call with the Public Employment Relations Commission to work out the details of the collective bargaining election. An agreement was reached to hold the election March 2 at the Spokane Center and March 3 on campus. Employees eligible to vote will be limited to regular full-time teaching faculty including faculty who are on tenure track appointment, and those on term appointment. The ballot choices will be "United Faculty of Eastern" or "no representation." Prior to the election the Faculty Organization will sponsor four open forums to be held February 9 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium in Martin Hall and 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Spokane Center, Room 223, and the same time and locations on February 17.

In June of last spring the Senate passed a resolution to proceed with the liberal arts reform according to the principles set forth. During fall quarter the UAC and GUR committees refined the principles. They include basic skill competencies expected of students prior to entering the university, lower division general university requirements, 12 credits at the junior level and a capstone seminar at the senior level. There will be a special meeting of the Senate on January 31 on liberal arts reform. The final vote is scheduled for February 7 Senate meeting.

Dr. Hubbard noted that he has half time release in his position of President of the Faculty Organization, but members of the councils, the council chairs, committee chairs and members of the committees do not. They receive neither money nor time off for their work and efforts. This is a gift of services from members of the faculty. The many hours given by these faculty is commendable.

Associated Students, III.B.2. - Ms. Niharika Bhasin

Ms. Michelle Schroeder reported for the associated students for Ms. Bhasin. Election filing for officers started January 27 and goes through February 3.

The Washington Student Lobby (WSL) is working on providing more financial aide for students, keeping tuition rates down, getting student vote representation on their respective board of trustees or regents of their institution, and seeking to maintain higher education goals for funding for the next biennium.

Mr. Mumtaz Kahn hopes to hold "Club Challenges" monthly in hopes of promoting campus unity among campus clubs and organizations. Mr. Kahn is also trying to organize a campus "food bank" to assist students in need.

Ms. Trinity Brown is currently working on the current ASEWU newsletter "Upfront." The recent issue describes each position on the student council. Plans for the next include pictures of faculty members and a brief description of their areas of expertise.

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

Dr. Drummond reported on end of the fourth annual Northwest Bach Music Festival in which the university has been very involved. Four European musicians came to Spokane to participate in various events around the Bach festival and were very active on campus. Maestro Gunther Schuler accompanied them and gave several seminars on campus as well as concerts in Spokane.

There was a celebration for opening a new Writing Center in Tawanka. The Center offers personalized assistance not only to students, but to faculty who may require assistance with their writing skills, perhaps in areas of advanced writing or more effective grading. It was stated that if the faculty support strengthening the core curriculum, President Drummond and Provost Hoffman will provide the finances necessary. This Writing Center is a good faith down payment in demonstrating that commitment and will be the first of many things to be done if the faculty wishes to help.

Dr. Drummond expressed excitement in bringing on-line the new campus network. 90 percent of the campus, including student housing, faculty, classrooms, and board members will be able to access this network of immense knowledge. Karen Michaelson is helping lead an effort to get a freenet program established in Spokane that would be connected to this system. This will be a great way to make high quality publications accessible.

On February 10 a number of university members will be traveling to Yakima to have a special celebration with Heritage College where Dr. Drummond and Sister Kathleen Ross, President of Heritage College, will be signing an accord. This is a statement of program cooperation and the first program to fall under this will be the master of social work program.

Dr. Drummond recognized Dr. Allen Meadors who has been named Chief Executive Officer at Pennsylvania State University in Altuna.

Local 931 of Washington Federation of State Employees has a new president — Pat Rast.

Robert Morganstern, criminal justice and psychology professor, has recently been appointed by the American Board of Forensic Examiners as a fellow, the highest professional honor in forensic science.

Eastern employee Samantha Hopf has been named to the Cheney Historical Preservation Commission.

State Representative and Economics Professor Lisa Brown was a keynote speaker at the "Empowering Women" Conference held at the Coeur d'Alene Resort.

Howard Uibel, Department Chair in PEHR, received the Resort and Commercial Recreation Association Achievement Award at the annual conference in New York. This award honors a lifetime of dedication to exceptional leadership, foresight and character.

Under the leadership of Associate Vice President Karen Michaelson, the foundation has funded \$4+ million in faculty/staff mini-grants for Winter quarter. This will allow private funds for faculty and staff members to do things not allowed by state funds, i.e. conference expenses, a telecommunication device for the deaf, etc.

EWU FTE enrollment for Winter quarter, 1994, is 7,605, with a total headcount of 8,027.

Patsy Utter, passed away unexpectedly at her home New Year's Day. Patsy was an active civic and political person who served on the Cheney City Planning Commission, the Library Board, the EWU Foundation Board and the Eagle Athletic Association. Memorial contributions may be made through the EWU Foundation Office.

Total Quality Management (TQM) is being put into play for the reorganization of Eastern's physical plant. Dr. Fred Evans is the chairman of the university group that is working on implementing TQM principals in various aspects of our institution.

Action Items, IV.

Minutes of the December 3, 1993 Board of Trustees' Meeting, IV.A. - Dr. Torres

Motion #1-01-94: *"I move that the minutes of the December 3, 1993 Board of Trustees' meeting be approved as distributed with an amendment to the Associated Students Revised Budget for 1993-94, IV.C. The figure of \$210,000 is incorrect and should read \$628,100."*

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

Reschedule June 24, 1994 Board of Trustees' Meeting, IV.B. - Mr. Dolan

There are scheduling problems with administration and it was recommended to reschedule the June Board of Trustees' meeting from June 28 to June 17 at 2:00 p.m. if necessary. Budget issues will be discussed at this meeting. June 17 is commencement and it is anticipated that all board members will be in attendance. Mr. Ormsby suggested holding the meeting the afternoon of June 16 instead due to graduation meetings and individual ceremonies scheduled for after commencement. This will be taken under advisement.

Motion #1-02-94: *"I move that action on IV.B., Reschedule June 24, 1994 Board of Trustees' Meeting, be postponed for a future meeting."*

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

Tuition Rates - Summer Session 1994, IV.C. - Dr. Herold

The proposed summer tuition rates place Eastern's rates in the middle of those charged at the comprehensive universities in Washington. There is only a modest increase over 1993 rates. Request is for approval of \$69 a credit hour for undergraduate credit and \$99 for a graduate credit hour. The proposed rates are both fair and competitive.

Summer session has brought Eastern into national recognition as a place for excellence and quality programs. Publications for summer session are excellent.

Motion #1-03-94: *"I move that the Board approve the proposed summer session 1994 tuition rates."*

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

Information Items, V.

Report on Public Works Contracts, V.A. — Dr. Hoffman

When the Board authorized the administration to award contracts in the amount of up to \$150,000, the Board also stipulated that it expected quarterly reports. Dr. Hoffman presented contracts that were awarded for the period of July 1, 1993 through December 31, 1993.

Report on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Policy, V.B., — Mrs. Johnson

The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Policy is required under the federal drug free work place act of 1988. The Drug Free School and Communities Act amendments of 1989 and House Bill 1082 all require institutions to develop plans for combating alcohol abuse and underage drinking. The proposed plan has been developed by student services personnel and the Associated Students and has been reviewed by the Academic Senate. Ms. Annie Cole gave the highlights of how Eastern would be dealing with alcohol, and with the use and abuse of underage drinking in the fraternities and sororities, and on campus with the general population. Agreements with fraternities and sororities have been reached on how issues will be dealt with and are in the process of being signed. Programs are being offered by Eastern's substance abuse program, the individual halls, and the student services office to educate students. Mrs. Beschel responded to this as an excellent policy and asked that press and media attention be brought to this.

Old Business/New Business, VI.

Dr. Drummond recognized Dr. Allen Meadors for his contribution to EWU and wished him well in his new position.

Dr. Drummond remarked on the budget issues and the media coverage Eastern is receiving. There is a large demand for quality in academics but no funds to follow up. Mike Stewart and staff gave a budget presentation to try to explain the detrimental budget and the issues brought forth by Initiative 601. Mr. Stewart noted that Governor Lowry has proposed budget reductions to be implemented this July to get ready for Initiative 601 and to counteract the downturn in federal contributions for certain health and social service programs in the state. There is a move to reallocate other budget funds to health and social service to repair this. Other legislation introduced that seriously attack the budgets in higher education are (1) \$72 million dollars out of state government with a significant amount coming out of higher education — across the board reductions in goods and service travel and equipment to fund salary increases for K-12 employees and step increases for community colleges starting in September of the next fiscal year, and (2) across the board reductions in goods and service travel and equipment that would fund items in the department of transportation. Mr. Ormsby asked about possibilities of getting Mr. Stewart's slides transposed to paper.

Executive Session, VII.

Chair Torres called an executive session from 10:34 a.m. to 11:04 a.m. for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters.

Personnel Actions, VIII.*

Motion #1-04-94: *"I move that the Board approve the personnel actions as presented."*

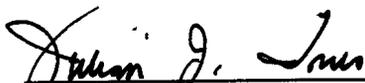
Motion by Mr. Ormsby; second by Mr. Brisbois; approved unanimously.

Motion #1-05-94: *"I move that upon the recommendation of the Department of Public Administration, the College of Public Health and Social Services, and the Office of the Provost that the honorary degree of Masters of Public Administration be awarded to Jack Geraghty."*

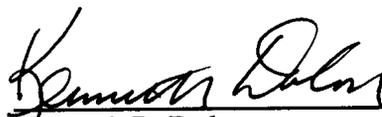
Motion by Mr. Ormsby; seconded by Mr. Jackson; approved unanimously.

Adjournment, IX.

Chair Torres adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.



Julian J. Torres
Chair



Kenneth R. Dolan
Secretary