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PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

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Eastern Washington University  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
 September 23, 1994, 9:00 a.m.  
 Spokane Center, Second Floor Mall

### Board Members Present

Mrs. Jean L. Beschel  
 Mr. John V. Geraghty, Jr.  
 Mr. Joe W. Jackson  
 Mr. James L. Kirschbaum (Mr. Kirschbaum attended the BOT Breakfast.)  
 Dr. Julian J. Torres, Jr., Chair

### Staff Present

J. D. Annie Cole, Dean of Students  
 Dr. Jeff Corkill, President, Faculty Organization  
 Dr. Richard Curry, Dean, College of 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. Flash Gibson, Vice Provost, Undergraduate Affairs and Enrollment Management  
 Dr. Robert C. Herold, Vice Provost, International Studies, Summer Session and Special Programs  
 Mrs. Jane A. Johnson, Vice President for University Advancement  
 Dr. William K. Katz, Dean, College of Education and Human Development  
 Ms. Patricia M. Kelley, Dean of Libraries  
 Dr. Elroy C. McDermott, Dean, College of Business  
 Mrs. Gayle M. Ogden, Associate Vice President for Human Resources/Affirmative Action Officer  
 Ms. Angelika M. Moskalonek, Secretary, Office of the President  
 Ms. Stefanie E. Pettit, Weekly Editor, News Bureau and Communications Services  
 Mr. William J. Shaw, Chief Financial Officer  
 Mr. Mike Stewart, Vice Provost for Planning and Budget  
 Ms. Lesli K. Younger, Media Lab Coordinator

### Faculty Present

Dr. Sally A. Winkle, Chair, Department of Modern Languages

### Guests Present

Ms. Maureen McGuire, Assistant Attorney General  
 Mrs. Amy Sooe, Director, Cheney Chamber of Commerce

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

Chair Torres called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### Reports, III.

#### Trustee Reports, III.A.

Dr. Torres reported that the Nominating Committee had met and a report of the Committee's selection of candidates would be presented by Mrs. Beschel, chair of the Nominating Committee, at a later time in the meeting.

#### President's Reports, III.B.

##### Faculty Organization Report III.B.1. - Dr. Corkill

Jeff Corkill reported on the Faculty Organization Retreat held at Templin's in Post Falls on September 12-13. The purpose of the retreat was to apprise the in-coming officers of last year's activities and to discuss future plans. The retreat was attended by last year's and this year's executives and chairs.

The first Rules Committee meeting will be held on Monday, September 26, at 3 p.m. The first Senate Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 3, at 3 p.m.

##### Associated Students III.B.2. - Ms. Opong

Josephine Opong reported on the "Welcome Week" hosted by the Associated Students. The ASEWU held a 24-hour retreat for the new officers on September 13-14, in Yakima. The Associated Student Council has been very active. Twenty applications were received for the PR person position. In the future, the Council will be working on the history of the Associated Students Organization to find out how the organization was founded.

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

Dr. Drummond noted the changes on campus; the PUB construction is on schedule, sidewalks were replaced over the summer making it easier for physically limited students to move around on campus. The large classroom renewal project is under way. This causes some disruption but brings more comfort and the latest technology with access to the world-wide network to our campus.

Freshmen, transfer students, and re-enrollments are all up. Final count will be made on the 10th class day of instruction.

The National Endowment of the Arts has funded a grant for a partnership between Cheney Cowles Museum, Eastern Washington University, and Spokane Falls Community College. We will be sharing some of the exhibits also with Washington State University and the University of Idaho. It is a partnership request for visiting artists in a dialogue called "Private Lives: Public Dialogue." Some of the subjects may be controversial, but they are meaningful art subjects. Eastern is pleased to have received this grant.

Ten Ghanaians from the University of Cape Coast in Ghana are visiting EWU. When Dr. Drummond visited the University of Cape Coast this summer, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Cape Coast and Dr. Drummond were able to secure \$100,000 grant from the World Bank to provide internship training to administrative employees from that university. These are librarians, computer technicians, and admission's employees who will be working with EWU employees for three months learning about how we do things, letting us learn more about them and their culture.

Next Thursday, September 29, will be the dedication of the Riverpoint I Building. The event commences with a breakfast at the Sheraton Hotel, the feature speaker will be Dr. John C. Buechner, President of the University of Colorado at Denver. He has experience in building new

facilities and campuses such as Riverpoint. Denver has a facility called "The Auroria" Campus which includes the University of Colorado, Metropolitan State College of Denver, and Lamar Community College. That campus has gone through a number of permutations, from struggles initially to an enviable service facility, now servicing about 30,000 students in downtown Denver. What has happened in Denver is somewhat analogous to what's happening at Riverpoint. Following his speech will be the official ground breaking of Riverpoint I.

The Riverpoint development will be a real challenge and opportunity for Eastern. It will require all students, faculty, administration, and the Board to communicate a policy that will allow Eastern to make Riverpoint what it promises to be for Spokane and this region and, at the same time, leave intact the important academic programs and the campus environment in Cheney. It will not be a particularly easy balancing act and one Eastern must begin immediately, even though the building will not open for another sixteen months.

Dr. Drummond asked Dr. Robert Herold, Vice Provost for International Programs, Special Programs and Summer Session, to present a brief report on Summer Session.

Dr. Herold presented the Board with two handouts showing an overview of this year's Summer Session. The office of Summer Session studied questionnaire responses from students. It was indicated they wanted more upper division courses and courses in their major. This year Summer Session provided students with more upper division courses and offered block courses in the morning. The increase of half a credit hour per student resulted in a 1,500 credit hour increase. Some colleges and departments which had been down, have experienced an increase in enrollment, i.e.; Human Learning & Development experienced a drop-off when the State abolished the Master Degree requirement in 1992 but was able to turn things around this year and showed an increase in enrollment. Letters & Social Sciences experienced low enrollment for Summer Session in 1993 but did marketably better, 1994.

International Programs performed well. The Irish Writers' Workshop had more than 30 students enrolled for the second year in a row. The Shakespeare Program is now up to almost 15 students from only five students two or three years ago. Next year, the program in Edinburgh, Scotland will be back with Dr. Morag Stewart. Dr. Herold continues to pursue off-campus courses in the "Wild" with Biologists and Geologists. These courses seem to be going well.

#### Action Items, IV.

##### Minutes of the July 22, 1994 Board of Trustees' Meeting, IV. A. - Dr. Torres

**Motion #09-01-94:** *"I move that the minutes of the July 22, 1994 Board of Trustees' meeting be approved as distributed."*

*Motion by Mrs. Beschel; second by Mr. Geraghty; approved unanimously.*

##### Nominating Committee Report IV.B. — Mrs. Beschel

Mrs. Beschel reported on the recommendation of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees consisted of Joe Jackson, Jim Kirschbaum, and Mrs. Beschel. The committee recommended the following slate for the 1994-95 term: for Chair, Mike Ormsby; Vice Chair, Jack Geraghty; Secretary, Ken Dolan; EWU Foundation Board, Jim Kirschbaum; Finance Committee, Jack Geraghty, Jim Kirschbaum, and Jean Beschel; SIRTI; Mike Ormsby. (SIRTI members are nominated by the Governor's Statute requiring one trustee from each of the three participating universities.)

**Motion #09-02-94:** *"I move that the Board approve the Nominating Committee's Report for passage."*

*Motion by Nominating Committee; approved unanimously.*

Recommended BOT Meeting Schedule 1995 IV.C. — Dr. Drummond

In keeping with statutory requirements, the Board must approve a meeting schedule for the upcoming calendar year. The schedule is subsequently published in the State Register in compliance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

The meeting schedule generally follows the fourth Friday format with the exception of the April and March meetings which are combined in a meeting to be held on April 7. No meeting is scheduled for the month of August and the November and December Board meetings will be combined and held on December 1.

Meetings are alternated between Louise Anderson Hall and the Spokane Center. It should be noted that because of construction schedules on campus, it may be necessary to hold more of our meetings in Spokane while the PUB and Louise Anderson Hall are undergoing renovation and expansion. We will finalize the location of all the meetings before we submit the meeting schedule to the code reviser.

Board meetings may be canceled and special Board meetings called with proper notification to the Press and interested parties.

**Motion #09-03-94:** *"I move that the Board approve the 1995 meeting schedule as proposed."*

*Motion by Mr. Geraghty; second by Mr. Jackson; approved unanimously.*

A & E Contract Award IV.D. — Mr. Stewart

This contract provides for installing a three-stop ADA approved elevator, including construction of an elevator equipment room and pit, a new stairway to the elevator room, increasing the building's electrical capacity to serve the elevator, and installing a smoke alarm system for the elevator.

**Motion #09-04-94:** *"I move that the Board award project #AE-88-02, Senior Hall Elevator to Vern W. Johnson & Sons Inc., of Spokane."*

*Motion by Mr. Jackson; second by Mrs. Beschel; approved unanimously.*

Contract Acceptance IV.E. — Mr. Stewart

The contracted work provided for construction of two new mechanical rooms and connecting utility tunnels, and remodel of the southern portions of the two wings of the existing Science Building. The work has been satisfactorily completed by Hoffman Contractors, Inc., for the total contract amount of \$4,986,855.87, excluding sales tax. Upon the Board's acceptance, retainage will be released to the contractor as specified by the terms of the contract.

The third phase, which is in the process of completion, is the remodeling of the remaining building, finishing of the ventilation systems and other minor projects. The third phase will be presented sometime this winter.

**Motion #09-05-94:** *"I move that the Board accept public works contract #AE-85-14H, Science Building Remodel Phase II in the amount of \$4,986,855.87, excluding of sales tax." Mrs. Beschel had a second question.*

The change orders were needed to accommodate improvements in the electrical and mechanical systems. Many changes and modifications were necessary to the infrastructure of the building but were of little dollar costs.

*Motion by Mrs. Beschel; second by Joe Jackson; approved unanimously.*

Dr. Corkill noted that the remodeling has brought the Science Building to a "state-of-the-art" building providing an excellent environment for research and teaching projects of Eastern's faculty. In addition, new equipment further improves instructional capabilities.

Overview of Running Start Program IV.G. — Dr. Gibson

Dr. Gibson presented an overview of the "Running Start Program." The program came into law three years ago and allows qualified high school juniors and seniors to earn credits simultaneously for high school graduation and toward a college degree. The program has been expanded by the 1994 legislature, under Senate Bill 6438, to include Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, and Western Washington University with other state community and technical colleges. Eastern will be a member of the state advisory board that coordinates efforts state-wide.

The base instructional allotment from the state to the district for each K-12 students is \$3,347.00. If a student attends college (university), the college (university) will be reimbursed for the full-time enrolled student at that rate, minus ten percent for administrative overhead awarded to the district. This is a financially acceptable arrangement for the university. Accepted students will be college ready, having passed all required exams including SAT scores. High school juniors will be admitted to a limited curriculum at Eastern, currently foreign languages and mathematics. Seniors will be able to choose from a greater selection depending upon what they need to graduate from high school.

This new program has the advantages that students can graduate from college in a shorter period of time and save parents the cost of college tuition.

**Motion #09-06-94:** *"I move that the Board approve participation by Eastern Washington University in the Running Start Program."*

*Motion by Mr. Geraghty; second by Mrs. Beschel; motion unanimously approved.*

Faculty Organization & ASEWU Resolutions IV.F. — Dr. Torres

Dr. Torres presented two resolutions. The first one was dedicated to Ms. Bhasin who served as president of the Associated Students during the academic year 1993-94. Dr. Torres read the resolution. Dr. Torres asked that the gift and plaque be sent to Ms. Bhasin.

The second resolution was dedicated to Dr. Russ Hubbard who served as president of the Faculty Organization during the academic year 1993-94.

Dr. Torres presented a plaque and gift to Dr. Hubbard.

**Old Business/New Business, V.**  
None

**Executive Session, VI.**

Chair Torres called an executive session from 9:38 a.m. to 10:18 a.m. for the purposes outlined in RCW.42.30.110 for discussing legal and personnel matters.

**Personnel Actions, VII.\***

**Motion #09-07-94:** *"I move that the personnel actions as recommended by Dr. Drummond, Provost Hoffman, and the Administration, including the addendum to the President's contract, be approved as recommended."*

*Motion made by Mrs. Beschel; second by Mr. Geraghty; approved unanimously.*

**Request for Indemnification — Ms. McGuire**

The University has had litigation filed against it and two of its employees, Jane Johnson and Gayle Ogden.

**Motion #09-08-94:** *"I move that the Board of Trustees agree to indemnify and hold the individual employees sued harmless for acts they performed in their functions as officers and employees of the university."*

*Motion made by Mr. Geraghty; second by Mrs. Beschel; approved unanimously.*

**Motion #09-09-94:** *"To the extent the Board needs to request individual defense beyond the indemnification resolution, I move approval of Ms. McGuire's recommendation that the Board provide individual defense to the two individuals who are being sued."*

*Motion made by Mrs. Beschel; second by Mr. Geraghty; approved unanimously.*

**Adjournment, IX.**

Chair Torres adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

  
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Dr. Julian J. Torres, Jr.  
Chair

  
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Kenneth R. Dolan  
Secretary