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Eastern Washington University
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 7, 1995, 9:00 a.m.
Louise Anderson Hall, First Floor Lounge

Board Members Present

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

Staff Present

Dr. Richard Curry, Dean, College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences
Mr. Kenneth R. Dolan, Executive Assistant to the President/Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Dr. Marshall E. Drummond, President
Ms. Rhonda Fiskland, Assistant to the President for Community Relations
Mr. Rich Gibb, Director, Facility Planning, Construction and Maintenance
Dr. Robert Herold, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
Dr. James I. Hoffman, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Mr. Curt Huff, Associate Vice President, University and Auxiliary Services
Mrs. Jane A. Johnson, Vice President for University Advancement
Dr. Patricia Kelley, Dean, Libraries
Dr. Elroy McDermott, Interim Dean, College of Business
Ms. Angelika M. Moskalonek, Secretary, Office of the President
Mr. Bill Shaw, Chief Financial Officer
Lt. Victor Wallace, Campus Police Lieutenant
Mr. Christopher A. Wavada, Media Lab Coordinator

Faculty Present

Dr. Alex Cameron, Associate Professor of Accounting
Dr. Jeff Corkill, President, Faculty Organization
Dr. David Daugharty, Professor of Mathematics
Dr. Tom Karier, Professor of Economics and Collective Bargaining Faculty Representative
Dr. Bob Morgenstern, Vice President, Faculty Organization
Dr. Martin Seedorf, Professor of History
Dr. Rita Seedorf, Associate Professor of Education
Dr. Morag Stewart, Professor of Management Information Systems
Dr. Sally Winkle, Chair, Department of Modern Languages and UFE, President

Students Present

Mr. Justin Franke, Council Member of Associated Students President

Guests Present

Ms. Leona Dater, Representative, Washington Education Association
Ms. Maureen McGuire, Assistant Attorney General
Mr. Al Ogden, Mayor of City of Cheney
Mr. Steve Pulkkinen, Representative, Washington Education Association
Ms. Amy Sooy, Executive Director, Cheney Chamber of Commerce

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

Chair Ormsby called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present at the meeting.

Reports, III.

Trustees' Reports, III.A.

Mrs. Beschel reported that she attended the Medals and Awards Committee meetings as a representative of the Board of Trustees during the month of March. The Medals and Awards Committee has made its final selection on the awards' candidates for the Trustees' Medal, the Classified Service Award, and the Administrative Exempt Distinguished Service Award, the winners to be announced at Founder's Day. Mrs. Beschel mentioned that the committee has two recommendations: 1) the need for additional funds to recognize more outstanding individuals at Eastern; and 2) to facilitate a meeting between the committee members and the award winners.

Mrs. Beschel also reported on the first meeting of Eastern's Cultural Advisory Group which she attended as requested by President Drummond. The committee suggested that an oversight group be formed to provide an institutional vehicle to focus and leverage Eastern's involvement in cultural affairs in the region and in the state. The committee is open to suggestions from anyone.

Mrs. Beschel attended a meeting hosted by Boeing's CEO Frank Shrontz, called "Partnership for Learning," a state-wide group which has been meeting for over two years with the goal to provide students with the level of skills and knowledge needed to succeed in the 21st century.

Mr. Brisbois reported on the AGB (Association of Governing Boards) Conference he and Ken Dolan, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, attended on March 25-28 in Seattle. Mr. Brisbois felt that the conference provided much valuable information and pointed out a session he attended on the abuse of alcohol by students, presented by Dr. Henry Wechsler, chair of the Department of Public Health at Harvard University. Dr. Wechsler conducted a national study at 140 colleges and universities on "binge drinking" and related his findings at the conference. He pointed out the problems associated with drinking and the potential liability for universities, if administrations do not protect the non-drinking from the drinking students. Mr. Brisbois felt that this is a very important topic and should be revisited in the future.

Mr. Ormsby reported on the Joint Center for Higher Education's proposed capital and operating budgets. He explained that the House Committee has approved funds for pre-planning of the third academic building at the Riverpoint site in the next biennium. Through the efforts of several individuals, especially Dr. Terry Novak, interim director of the Joint Center, the House Committee increased the amount allocated to the capital budget to \$3.3 million providing for some infrastructure improvements including a cable that would link the Joint Center campus with the Foley Library at Gonzaga University.

Mr. Ormsby reported that the construction of the second academic building at Riverpoint is scheduled for completion by September with occupancy by winter quarter 1996. The completion is timely because of the increasing need for classroom space by EWU and WSU. While the research component at Riverpoint has not taken off as expected, the classroom use by EWU/WSU is greater than anticipated.

A copy of the weekly report about the Joint Center is mailed to every Board member providing updates on activities of the Center. Mr. Ormsby encouraged the Board members to contact him or Dr. Drummond with questions regarding the Center.

Presidents' Reports, III.B.

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

Dr. Corkill reported that at the last Senate meeting, the Library Affairs Committee—which originally reported to the Dean of Libraries—has changed its name to Library Affairs Council and reports now to the Senate and Rules Committee. This change was a result of the faculty survey conducted in conjunction with collective bargaining. Faculty expressed concern about funding for the Library and faculty involvement in the future development of the Library.

Dr. Corkill reported that the administration has entered a new era in the budget and planning process. UPBAC (University Planning & Budgeting Advisory Council) has been dissolved and the President Policy Council (PPC) has been formed to set strategic goals based on the Mission and Vision Statement. The PPC will set policies recommended by the Budget and Planning Board, a Budget Hearing Board composed of the President, Vice President, Vice Provosts, Deans, faculty represented by the Presidents of the Faculty Organization, the UFE, the classified staff, and ASEWU. The first two items to be reviewed by the Budget and Planning Board are the Vision Statement and Tuition Waivers.

Dr. Corkill mentioned that an Administration Faculty Executive Board, a monthly breakfast meeting with the Provost, the Executive Committee of Faculty Organization, and the United Faculty of Eastern has been formed and has met for the first time; its purpose is to enhance communications between the faculty and the administration.

Dr. Corkill invited Chair Ormsby to the next Senate meeting on April 17 and suggested that the chairman of the Board of Trustees attend Senate meetings once or twice a year. Chair Ormsby accepted the invitation.

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

Mr. Franke, sitting in for President Josephine Opong, gave the Associated Students' report. He reported that Ms. Opong was unable to attend the Board meeting because she was in Olympia meeting with Governor Lowry.

One month ago, Mr. Franke and President Opong attended a Washington Student Lobby (WSL) meeting in Olympia to discuss the Super Board Bill. The ASEWU office has received a report from the student lobbyist in Olympia in which he expressed pride to be associated with Eastern Washington University and appreciation for the effective support he received from EWU administrators.

Mr. Franke extended the students' thanks to Mark Drummond, Jane Johnson, Ron Sperber, and Rich Gibb for their support to implement the CODE BLUE system which will increase safety on EWU's campus. Two pilot units which were purchased jointly by the administration and the students will be installed in the near future.

ASEWU granted \$591,000 to the Athletics Program for scholarships.

Greg McAllister, Student Health Council member, has reported that last year approximately five percent of the student population used the Rockwood Medical Services each month. This year, approximately 20% of the students have used the services. The contract for Student Health Services with the Rockwood Medical Center will be reviewed this year.

The Student Council thanked Curt Huff for attending the Council meetings and explaining the residential housing budget for next year. The students expressed their support for the budget and the increased housing fee.

Ms. Opong and Mr. Franke worked out a compromise with Dr. Hoffman, Ms. Johnson, and Dr. Gibson for the 1995-96 Drop-Add Fee that is acceptable to the students.

Mr. Franke reported that the ASEWU Council is in the process of implementing a Student Publications Board to oversee the budgetary aspects of all student publications on campus, including the *Easterner*. Steve Blewett, Journalism Department Director, has attended the Student Council meetings and has expressed that the Board of Trustees is responsible for forming a Publications Board. The students believe that the Publications Board should be reviewed by the Board based on WAC 840-080-020 page 5, Section D. The students believe it is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to make sure that their First Amendment Rights are not being infringed upon. Mr. Franke indicated that the Student Council will forward the proposed bill to the Board for decision.

The Publications Board would be composed of one administrator appointed by the president, two faculty members appointed by the president of Faculty Organization, and three student members appointed by students. Students serving on the Publications Board would not be able to chair the Board or be members of the ASEWU. The chair of the Publications Board will not be able to vote. Mr. Franke indicated that existing budgeting problems with the *Easterner* necessitate a change in current practices.

President's Reports, III.B.3. - Dr. Drummond

Dr. Drummond reported on the proposed budgets for the coming biennium, describing the Governor and House budgets as unfavorable and the Senate budget as favorable on higher education funding. Eastern's concern about the budget is driven by the obligation to serve the projected increased number of 15-20,000 high school graduates by the year 2000 in the state of Washington. In order to serve more students, Eastern has to build today by hiring faculty, and getting equipment and infrastructure in place.

Dr. Drummond reported that he recently attended the annual CUIDES Conference, as a representative of Eastern. A total of 150 universities representing South America, Central America, and North America are members. The purpose of the association is to promote formal research projects, economic development, and faculty and student exchanges. This is an opportunity for Eastern to expand into The Americas.

April is Student Appreciation Month. Dr. Drummond asked that all offices recognize their student workers and show appreciation for the students' dedication.

Dr. Drummond reminded the Board that the Founder's Day celebration will be held May 4 with guest speaker Dr. Lynn Hunt, Annenberg Professor of History from the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Drummond announced two major initiatives in the state which the administration will talk more about in the summer and next fall: 1) major capital campaign for endowment; 2) to improve quality and quantity of Eastern's student body, particularly freshmen enrollees. Some groundwork has been laid in Eastern, Central, and Western parts of the state to host events bringing parents and prospective students into homes of EWU Alumni to learn about Eastern. Student groups, such as the Science Olympiad and the National Association for Chicano Studies, are excellent recruitment opportunities for future EWU students.

Elaine Swift, Assistant Professor of Government, has been asked to join the editorial Board of *Congress and the Presidency*.

Dr. Drummond mentioned that searches for the Dean of College of Education, the Director of Information Resources, and the Vice Provost for Enrollment Management are in progress.

Dr. Drummond reported that he held a reception for seven visiting professors from Ghana.

Dr. Drummond commented on the changes in the planning and budgeting process. The dean's have been asked to meet with each department to explain the new structure and process. The President's Policy Council meets every other week for the purpose of addressing strategic university issues. A number of ad hoc committees are being formed to research, possibly hold hearings or gather information on various critical issues.

Dr. Drummond commented on the forthcoming CODE BLUE system and congratulated the students on their persistence in implementing the system.

Mr. Ormsby noted the presence of visitors, Bob Morgenstern, President-elect Faculty Organization; Al Ogden, Mayor of City of Cheney; and Councilmen Shaw and Huff, among others.

Action Items, IV.

Minutes of the February 24, 1995, Board of Trustees Meeting, IV.A.

Chair Ormsby requested that the minutes be approved as presented. Mr. Ormsby noted that a special hearing on the collective bargaining agreement was held on March 23. A recording of the hearing is available in the President's Office.

Motion #04-01-95: *"I move that the minutes of the February 24, 1995, Board of Trustees' meeting be approved as distributed."*

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

Housing and Dining Rates for Academic Year 1995-96, IV.C. - Ms. Johnson

Ms. Johnson gave a brief report on the housing and dining rates for the academic year 1995-96 and explained the need for an increase of those rates.

Ms. Johnson proposed that the Board approve the following room and board rates for the 1995-96 academic year: \$4,169 for double occupancy, meal plan 1; \$4,866 for small single, meal plan 1; and \$5,092 for large single, meal plan 1. These rates are based on annual contracts. There will also be a quarterly housing contract offered and a choice of meal plan sizes at a slightly increased rate.

Motion #04-02-95: *"I move that the Board approve the Housing and Dining Rate for the academic year 1995-96 as proposed."*

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

Acceptance of Completion of Contract over \$150,000, Project #AE-92-13G, IV.B. - Mr. Gibb

Mr. Gibb recommended that the Board approve public works contract #AE-92-13G, Patterson Hall, Multimedia Classroom. The work has been satisfactorily completed by Ramminger Construction, Inc., for the total contract amount of \$387,966.25, exclusive of sales tax. Mr. Gibb asked the Board upon acceptance to release retainage to the contractor as specified by the terms of the contract.

Motion #04-03-95: *"I move that the Board approve Public Works Contract Award, Project #AE-92-13G, Patterson Hall, Multimedia Classroom and release retainage to Ramminger Construction, Inc., Spokane, WA."*

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

Mission Statement, IV.D. - Dr. Drummond

Dr. Drummond reported that past mission statements have not been approved by the Board of Higher Education. He presented Eastern's revised mission statement to the Board and stated that Eastern's philosophy remains guided by the conviction that the study of the liberal arts and the sciences provides the academic foundation of an educated citizen. Through professional programs and internships, offered in partnership with business, K-12 schools, industry, health-care providers, social services, and the performing arts community, Eastern's students enhance their talents, training, and practical experience. Eastern is served by scholarly faculty who are dedicated to promoting international education and a culturally diverse academic community.

Motion #04-04-95: *I move that the Board approve Eastern's Mission Statement as presented."*

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

Appointing Authority, IV.E. - Ms. McGuire

Mr. Ormsby reported that Ms. McGuire is in the process of surveying other institutions in regards to their policies on appointing authority of the president. Mr. Ormsby asked that the Board approve the temporary appointing authority until next meeting, May 26.

Motion #04-05-95: *I move that the Board approve temporary appointing authority to Dr. Drummond as requested."*

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

Chair Ormsby asked for completion of the survey, possibly by the next meeting on May 26.

Information Items, V.

Organization Chart, V.A. - Dr. Hoffman

Dr. Hoffman presented a revised organization chart reflecting the composition of the College of Business, which includes the departments of Public Administration and Urban and Regional Planning. The faculty of the College felt that the new name better reflect the composition of the College. Dr. Hoffman concurred with the change and requested that the Board approve the name change for the College of Business Administration to College of Business and Public Administration.

Motion #04-06-95: *I move that the Board approve the name change for the College of Business Administration to College of Business and Public Administration and the formalization of the location of the Public Administration and Urban and Regional Planning Departments in that College."*

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

Old Business/New Business, VI.

Mr. Ormsby introduced the Collective Bargaining Agreement and referred to a special meeting—a public hearing—which the Board held on March 23 in Cheney and in Spokane to give faculty and the community an opportunity to pose questions about the agreement. Mr. Ormsby gave a brief overview of the development of the agreement during the past year.

Collective Bargaining Contract, VI.A. - Dr. Drummond

Dr. Drummond reported that the collective bargaining agreement had been developed through a collaborative process and recognized the members of the United Faculty at Eastern as the major contributors to the agreement. He thanked all participants for their dedication in developing this historic document, a first for Eastern Washington University and a first in the state of Washington.

Dr. Drummond recommended that the Board approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented.

Motion #04-07-95: *I move that the Board ratify the Collective Bargaining Agreement and instruct Chair Ormsby and Dr. Drummond to sign the document as presented and that by policy the provisions of the agreement be extended to all members of the faculty."*

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

Executive Session, VII.

Chair Ormsby called an executive session from 10:39 a.m. to 11:19 a.m. for the purpose outlined in RCW. 42.30.110 of discussing legal and personnel matters.

Personnel Actions, VIII.

Chair Ormsby recommended that the personnel actions as proposed be approved.

Motion #04-08-95: *"I move that the personnel actions as presented by Dr. Drummond, Provost Hoffman, and the Administration be approved as recommended."*

Motion made by Mr. Geraghty; second by Mr. Brisbois; approved unanimously.

Adjournment, IX.

Chair Ormsby adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Michael C. Ormsby
Chair

Kenneth R. Dolan
Secretary