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**Eastern Washington University
Board of Trustees
Special Meeting by Conference Call
March 23, 2000
8:00 a.m.**

MINUTES

Trustee Participants

Melisa Dybbro
Joe Jackson
Neil McReynolds
Mark Mays
Mike Ormsby
Cindi Shiota

Administration Participants

Stephen Jordan, President
Brian Levin-Stankevich, Vice President for Student Affairs

Staff Present:

Judith Penrod Siminoe, Associate to the President
Connie Gross, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Vice Chair Ormsby called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2000. A quorum was participating.

Vice President Brian Levin-Stankevich summarized the proposal before the Board. The proposal is to move the beginning of Fall 2000 Orientation dates from Wednesday, September 13 to Sunday, September 17 and the class start date from September 18 to September 20. Residence halls would open on Friday or Saturday, September 15 or 16. He said this proposal moves the institution toward a more residential, student-centered environment and will assist in the long-term development of the first-year experience programming which is critical to smooth student transitions from high school or community college and to improving freshman year retention rates.

It was noted that the Faculty Senate approved the proposal for at least one year, with the expectation of a review of the impact of these changes. The classified staff labor management committee was generally supportive of the proposal, and the President's Cabinet recommends its adoption.

Motion #03-23-01: I move that the Board of Trustees approve the administration's recommendation to move the Fall 2000 Orientation dates and the class start date for Fall 2000.

Motion by Trustee Mays; second by Trustee Shiota. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Michael C. Ormsby
Vice Chair

Stephen M. Jordan
Secretary of the Board of Trustees