

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE**

***AUGUST 13, 1997***

**Daniel J. Evans Library, Room 3112  
Olympia, Washington 98505**

**Trustees Attending:**

Bill Frank, Jr.  
Lila S. Girvin  
Fred T. Haley  
Dwight Imanaka  
David E. Lamb  
Christina A. Meserve  
Carol Vipperman

**Representative to Board:**

Student Bryan Freeborn  
Alumna Jerylyn Delaney

**Staff Present:**

Art Costantino, Vice President for Student Affairs  
John Cushing, Academic Dean  
Ruta Fanning, Vice President for Finance and Administration  
Lee Hoemann, Executive Associate to the President  
Steve Hunter, Director of Institutional Research  
Jane Jervis, President  
Anna Kircher, Director of Computing and Communications  
Sandy McKenzie, Executive Director of College Advancement  
Nancy McKinney, Special Assistant to VP for Finance and Administration  
Marla Skelley, Director of Financial Aid  
Rita Sevcik, Administrative Assistant to the President/Recording Secretary to  
Board of Trustees  
Barbara Leigh Smith, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost  
Steve Trotter, Budget Director  
Mike Wark, Director of College Relations  
See permanent roster for others attending

**Others Attending:**

Howard Fischer, Assistant Attorney General

For the record, the Board met the preceding day for an autobiography workshop; Academic Dean Jin Darney served as facilitator.

**Call to Order/Introductions**

Chair Vipperman called the meeting to order at approximately 9:02 AM, announced a quorum, and facilitated Board introductions. Vice President Costantino introduced Marla Skelley, newly hired Director of Financial Aid. President Jervis acknowledged the death of Registrar Judy Huntley in July and announced the departure of Arnaldo Rodriguez, who is leaving for a position in California after a long and distinguished career as Dean of Enrollment Services at Evergreen. Mr. Rodriguez spoke of his twenty years at Evergreen with affection and gratefulness. Dr. Costantino expressed his respect for Arnaldo and informed the Board of organizational

(capacity for life-long learning and diversity). The college must operate within a minimum of 10% and a maximum of 30% in apportioning funds for any of these measures. Release of funds will be dependent on performance toward meeting these goals. Trustees expressed appreciation for the difficulty of this process. Forty-six states are now requiring accountability measures as part of the budget process.

### **Accreditation – Results of Student Surveys**

Director of Institutional Research, Steve Hunter, distributed and discussed responses to the *College Student Experiences Questionnaire* (a national questionnaire administered last spring), the results of which will be used in the reaccreditation report. In comparison with national norms, Evergreen students reported substantially higher “gains” in many areas, including: acquiring background and specialization for further education in some professional, scientific or scholarly field; developing an understanding and enjoyment of the arts, music, and drama; broadening acquaintance and enjoyment of literature; becoming aware of different philosophies, cultures and ways of life; developing personal values and ethical standards; becoming aware of the consequences of new applications in science and technology; ability to think analytically and logically; ability to put ideas together, to see relationships, similarities, and differences between ideas; ability to learn on one’s own, pursue ideas and find needed information; seeing the importance of history for understanding the present as well as the past; and gaining knowledge about other parts of the world and other people. The Chair suggested that the College evaluate different assessment possibilities in order to profile Evergreen’s effectiveness in preparing students.

### **CHAIR’S REPORT**

Chair Vipperman expressed appreciation to Trustee Lamb for the use of his home for the Board retreat the preceding day and to Jin Darney and Sam Schrager for designing an autobiography retreat for the Board.

### **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Jervis reported the possibility of a supplemental budget request and the intention to move to limited arming prior the start of school in the fall. She mentioned a request from DNR to meet with the Board; her positive experience at the conference on the meanings and applications of liberal education; a request to be part of an ad hoc discussion group to advise the Governor on a variety of issues regarding education; and a meeting between the Governor and the Council of Presidents on the same subject.

The President invited reports from Board representatives. Alumna representative Jerylyn Delaney reported the appointment of Pam Toal as the new Director of Alumni Affairs and Development Services; mentioned the activities and successes of the Alumni Board; informed Trustees that the sale of Evergreen license plates has thus far provided \$868 to the scholarship fund; and mentioned the upcoming first-ever alumni reunion. Student representative Bryan Freeborn discussed areas of student planning and concern. (1) plans for a community retreat (involving all levels of the school) during orientation week and continuation of monthly student



forums to implement the student governance process; (2) comments from other students regarding the desire for extended hours of access to various academic facilities (art annex, computer center, library); and (3) concerns about the increased cost of student housing to support the wiring project which was approved last spring. He also asked for a progress report on issues that he raised at the last meeting. Provost Smith reiterated the solutions she described at the last meeting, which addressed each of the concerns that had been raised.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Action**

**Motion** Ms. Girvin moved approval of the minutes of the June 12, 1997 meeting as  
**8-2-97** presented. Seconded by Mr. Imanaka and passed.

#### **APPROVAL OF PROGRAM IN GRAYS HARBOR – Approval**

Vice President Barbara Smith recommended approval to establish a one-cohort B.A. completion program in Grays Harbor, which was run this past year as a limited pilot program.

**Motion** Ms. Girvin moved approval of submission of a proposal to the Higher  
**8-3-97** Education Coordinating Board and the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges to establish a one-cohort B.A. completion program in Grays Harbor. Seconded by Mr. Haley and passed.

#### **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING SERVICE OF DWIGHT IMANAKA - Action**

**Motion** Ms. Meserve read and moved approval of attached Resolution No. 97-11,  
**8-4-97** “*Recognizing Dwight Imanaka’s Term as Chair of the Board of Trustees.*” Seconded by Ms. Girvin and passed.

Trustee Imanaka expressed gratitude, reflecting on the transition that had occurred during that period of time, and expressed his pleasure in turning the reins over to Trustee Vipperman.

#### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING, AND ADJOURNMENT**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed for October 8, with a work session on October 7.

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.

  
Carol Vipperman, **Chair**

  
David E. Lamb, **Secretary**

Attachments - Resolution No. 97-11

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**Resolution No. 97-11**

***RECOGNIZING DWIGHT IMANAKA'S  
TERM AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES***

***IN APPRECIATION*** for your strength, your humor (and courage to wear the Geoduck tie at work and at the college), and your thoughtful and wise leadership as Chair;

***IN RECOGNITION*** of your significant commitment of time, energy and resources;

***IN RECOGNITION*** of your concern for Evergreen's diversity and excellence and for helping to make this a better place for those who learn and work at Evergreen;

***THE TRUSTEES AND THE PRESIDENT*** express their collective thanks and appreciation for your term as Chair from April, 1996 to June, 1997.

Bill Frank, Jr., Trustee

David E. Lamb, Trustee

Lila S. Girvin, Trustee

Christina A. Meserve, Trustee

Jane L. Jervis, President

Frederick T. Haley, Trustee

Carol Vipperman, Trustee

*Presented this 13th day of August, 1997*