

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

Wednesday, April 13, 1988
Daniel J. Evans Library
Olympia, Washington

Trustees Attending: Kay Boyd
Herbert Gelman
George E. Mante
Richard S. Page
William T. Robinson

Absent: David K. Y. Tang
Allan M. Weinstein

Representatives to the Board Present: David Marr, Faculty
Kitty Parker, Staff

Absent: Pamela Bowe, Alum

Staff Present: Jeannie Chandler, Director of Housing
Eugene Fujimoto, Coordinator of First Peoples' Peer Support Program
Becky Gallagher, Controller
Rita Grace, Administrative Assistant to the President
Ken Jacob, Director of Facilities
Cath Johnson, CRC Coordinator
Jim Johnson, Director of Computer Service
Jill Lowe, Safety Officer
Gail Martin, Vice President for Student Affairs
Joseph Olander, President
Stone Thomas, Dean of Student Development
Janet Thompson, Accounting Manager
Mike Wark, Information Services Specialist
Sue Washburn, Vice President for Development and Administrative Services
Ken Winkley, Associate VP for Administrative Services
Bill Zaugg, Administrative Assistant for Budget
See permanent roster for others attending

Others Attending: Les Eldridge, Thurston County Commissioner
Todd Hudak, WashPIRG
Dale Larson, Student Communication Center
Wendy Wendlandt, WashPIRG
See permanent roster for others attending

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 PM by Acting Chair Herb Gelman. President Olander introduced Kitty Parker, new staff representative sitting with the Board. Also introduced were new staff members Eugene Fujimoto, Coordinator of First Peoples' Peer Support Program; Janet Thompson, Accounting Manager; and Jill Lowe, Safety Officer. Thurston County Commissioner Les Eldridge presented Cath Johnson (Evergreen's CRC

Coordinator) with the Olympia Area Rowing Associations Distinguished Service Award for 1987.

CHAIRMAN'S/PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

Acting Chair Gelman mentioned (1) the recent Association of Governing Boards' conference in Washington, D. C. and invited interested staff or faculty to borrow from the President's Office the cassette of the keynote address by Samuel Proctor, titled "Leadership for Pluralism, Freedom, and Genuine Community" and (2) the ground-breaking ceremonies for the new gymnasium/multi-purpose center.

President Olander commented on (1) his remarks at the ground-breaking ceremony regarding diversity; (2) the Japanese Scholars Visiting seminar (sponsored by the Japan Foundation) at TESC on April 12; (3) student research on potential of having a credit union on campus; (4) Evergreen's reaccreditation scheduled for October, 1989, with a preliminary visit on April 18; (5) his intention at the end of April to appoint a task force to exam governance at Evergreen; (6) his selection as a member of the AASCU mission to Australia; and (7) the April 6 Governance Day on campus initiated and planned for by students.

David Marr also comments on his perception of Governance Day. Trustee Robinson asked how the outcomes or assessments would be preserved. David Marr responded that many of the sessions were videotaped. Student Scott Buckley added that compilations will be made by the committee; Diana Robishaw mentioned the committee is waiting for constituencies to report back to them, indicating that funding would be the next step. She clarified that she felt this was not a student initiated project by that it was initiated by the faculty and welcomed by students who had brought the issue to their attention. President Olander thanked the students instrumental in putting together plans for the day.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Action

Motion 88-10 Ms. Boyd moved approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 10, 1988 as distributed. Seconded by Mr. Mante and passed.

BOARD BYLAW REVISION/SCHEDULE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS - Action

President Olander indicated that this action was to make the Board bylaws consistent with current practice.

Motion 88-11 Mr. Mante moved approval of revision to Article II, Section 1 of the Board bylaws relating to the meeting schedule for the Board, as follows:

Section 1. Regular Meetings. A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be held unless dispensed with by the Board of Trustees, on the campus of The Evergreen State College beginning

Motion at 1:30 PM on the second Wednesday of each month or as
88-11 otherwise filed with the Code Reviser and published in the
cont. Washington State Register. When such Wednesday shall be a legal
holiday, the meeting shall be held on the Thursday immediately
following such second Wednesday.

Seconded by Mr. Page and passed.

OTHER BUSINESS AND INFORMATION

Conversion of Financial Accounting System

In 1985 Deloitte, Haskins and Sells studied management systems and structure at the College. One of the recommendations of that report was that the College review its information systems for management and planning. That recommendation is now being implemented. Associate Vice President Ken Winkley provided an overview of this project and discussed specific recommendations of the Deloitte, Haskins and Sells report. Controller Becky Gallagher discussed the Financial Reporting System project implementation; and Director of Computer Services Jim Johnson commented on how the College's computing resources were being used in order to accomplish this. This new system will affect everyone on campus but will provide more accessible, useful and dependable information.

President Olander indicated this is the single most pressing concern of the consultant's report. Trustees were pleased with the accomplishments (with such limited resources) of the staff.

Kerlin Departure

Arnaldo Rodriguez recognized the good work and contributions of Christine Kerlin (Director of Admissions) who is leaving Evergreen to take a position in Oregon. Trustee Gelman commented that Christine has been a good representative of the College during a difficult period. Best wishes from the Board.

WashPIRG Referendum Results

Mr. Rodriguez reviewed the results of the referendum to be conducted every two years. There continues to be support on the part of the student body for a WashPIRG chapter. Students are given an opportunity to develop leadership skills in this program. The College Legal Counsel has some questions regarding the method of fee collection. Between now and the May Board meeting, WashPIRG and the College will re-negotiate the terms of the contract. Student Knoll Lowney discussed his experiences with WashPIRG and the importance of this program on campus. Trustees Gelman and Mante voiced their continued support for the purposes and efforts of WashPIRG.

Tenth Day Enrollment

Arnaldo Rodriguez presented spring quarter unofficial enrollment statistics: 2769 headcount and 2609 FTE. These figures are within 99.6% of the target of 2800 FTE.

Legislative Session Wrap-up

President Olander was happy to report that the expected 1% budget cut did not occur and that Evergreen did not experience any reduction of funds. He also reported that, by joint House and Senate resolution, the Higher Education Coordinating Board plan was approved; the Governor has appointed a task force to address the funding issue (David Tang is a member). President Olander mentioned his intention to meet with legislators.

Housing Rental Rate Increase

Director of Housing Jeannie Chandler informed Trustees of the necessity to increase housing rental rates by 5%; action is to be scheduled for the May meeting.

In order to continue the current level of service to students and to continue maintenance of the existing infrastructure, rates will need to be raised. All of the other colleges, except Central, are also raising their rates by 5%.

Ms. Chandler commented on the effectiveness of the room reservation fee (applied toward the first month's rent) implemented last year.

ADJOURNMENT/WORK SESSION

The public meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM and the Trustees convened a work session to discuss the interim report of the Grievance and Appeals task force with DTF members Matt Green, Charles McCann, Jon Holz, and Maureen Petan. This policy is scheduled for action at the May 18 meeting.


David K. Y. Tang, Chairman

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Allan M. Weinstein, Secretary