MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

Wednesday, November 14, 1984 Daniel J. Evans Library Building Olympia, Washington

Trustees Present:

Herbert Gelman Thelma A. Jackson George E. Mante William T. Robinson Jane B. Sylvester

Representatives to the Board Present:

Tom Rainey, Faculty Erin Sitts, Student Bill Zaugg, Staff

Absent: Scott Baker, Alum

Staff Present:

Don Burrell, Resident Housing Manager Kathleen Garcia, Budget Officer

Rita Grace, Administrative Assistant to the President

Patrick Hill, Vice President and Provost

Steve Hunter, Director of Institutional Research

Stan Marshburn, Assistant to the President

Gail Martin, Dean of Student and Enrollment Services

John Perkins, Academic Dean Tom Rainey, Member of the Faculty Richard Schwartz, Acting President

Sue Washburn, Director of College Relations and Development

Ken Winkley, Director of Facilities and Services Karen Wynkoop, Acting Vice President for Business

See permanent roster for others attending

Others Attending:

R. L. Allen, McLane Fire Department
Shawn Newman, Attorney General's office
See permanent roster for others attending

Chairman Gelman called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and introduced the new representatives elected to sit with the Board: Tom Rainey, Faculty; Bill Zaugg, Staff; and Erin Sitts, Student who will alternate with Elese Claussen. Karen Wynkoop introduced Kathleen Garcia, Budget Officer; and Ken Kacob introduced Don Burrell, Resident Housing Manager.

VA Tuition Waiver

Gail Martin recommended a VA tuition waiver for Stanley Ryan for winter and spring quarters and reviewed the changes made in EAC 174-162-510 through -530, tuition waiver for veterans, based on suggestions made by Trustees at the October meeting. Ms. Martin told Trustees she would make recommendations to the Board at a later date regarding (1) determination of the number of waivers to be granted, and (2) maximum length of waiver.

Motion 84-52 Mr. Mante moved to grant Stanley M. Ryan two quarters (winter and spring 1985) of tuition waiver under the provisions of EAC 174-162-510, on the condition that he continues to make satisfactory academic progress. Seconded by Mrs. Jackson and passed.

Chairman Gelman suggested that Ms. Martin bring this back if there is a necessity to set a number for this academic year.

Legislative Goals and Objectives - Action

Stan Marshburn mentioned this issue was before the Board in keeping with a resolution adopted by the Board in 1979. Evergreen's priorities relate primarily to the 1985-87 budget. Mr. Marshburn felt that the lack of revenue source for capital funding is not presently a problem; there is a strong commitment for maintaining Evergreen's physical plant.

Motion 84-53

Mr. Robinson moved approval of the attached legislative goals and objectives for 1985 (1985-87 budget - diversification of curriculum, expansion of enrollment, improvement of support resources, development opportunities for staff and faculty; plus initiatives for increased support for the Vancouver program, model education program, improved professional development opportunities, Pacific Rim emphasis, increased public services budget, adequate faculty salary increases, and increased support for equipment). Seconded by Mrs. Jackson and passed.

November Faculty Salary Increase - Action

Patrick Hill reviewed the issues involved in faculty salary increases. The proposed raise exhausts the faculty equalization funds.

Motion 84–54 Mr. Mante moved approval of a 5.2% pay increase for all faculty effective November 16 through June 30, 1985. Seconded by Mrs. Sylvester and passed.

Approval of Minutes - Action

Motion 84–55 Mr. Gelman moved approval of the minutes of the October 10, 1984, meeting as distributed. Seconded by Mrs. Jackson and passed.

Exempt Salary Grid - Policy Discussion

Karen Wynkoop reviewed the 3.6% cost of living adjustment to the salary grid and the 3.1% merit increase to be effective on January 1, 1985.

Investment Policy - Policy Discussion

Ms. Wynkoop mentioned the satisfactory results of the meeting during the morning session between the Trustees and the investment committee group, mentioned the group would like an opportunity for further discussions in the near future. Chairman Gelman referenced a letter presented by the assistant attorney general regarding adoption of such a policy and asked that the attorney general give the Trustees a written opinion based upon the policy draft that has been developed. He expressed commitment of the Board to adopt a policy in January or February. Students and others who commented or made statements to the Board included Loren Gill Garber, Susan Scott (statement read by Amy Gray), Amy Gray, Jim Park, Lucille Rhoades, Roger Dickey, Tom Rainey, Chris Narrow, and Dave Schultz.

Faculty Salary and Grid Update - Policy Discussion

Patrick Hill mentioned that a 3.6% cost of living and a 3.1% merit increase for faculty will be recommended at the December meeting.

President's Report

Longhouse Update

John Perkins told Trustees that the college is still in the providing-information stage and finding out whether or not private money is available, mentioning it was premature to develop the governance document or further design. Chairman Gelman expressed his concern that Native American perceptions of the project and of governance might resurface during fund-raising efforts. Mr. Perkins responded that his response would be that this is a facility for educational purposes. Trustee Sylvester remembered receiving correspondence indicating there had been approval of state maintenance of the project, should it be approved. Staff responded that the Legislature has not acted on it. Trustee Jackson expressed disappointment of the projected delay in time line. Mr. Perkins responded that the original timetable was too optimistic but that he was not pessimistic about the long-term future of the project. Acting President Schwartz added this was the first capital campaign undertaken by the institution. Trustee Sylvester expressed her view that that project was on course.

Partnership for Rural Improvement

John Perkins apprised Trustees of the Partnership for Rural Improvement, a consortium of TESC, WSU, EWU, WWU, several community colleges and community agencies. Funding expired in June, 1984; state funds will be requested of the Legislature to continue bringing the services of educational institutions to the problems of rural community development. Russ Fox represents Evergreen in this consortium.

WashPIRG/WSL

Karen Wynkoop informed Trustees of very few administrative problems encountered during fall quarter which resulted in the administration's willingness to live with this policy if it is the Board's intent to keep this funding mechanism.

Quarterly Investment Report

Acting Vice President Wynkoop reviewed the investment report for the period ending September 30, 1984, noting that the amount available for investment is always low for this period of the year.

Fire Protection Contract with McLane

Karen Wynkoop introduced Fire Chief Bob Allen and Captain Greg Dibble. Ken Winkley recommended continuation of the current contract and highlighted various areas (pre-fire planning on all buildings, CPR training, annual fire inspection, testing of fire alarms, etc.). The contract cost remains the same.

Annual Enrollment and Retention Report

Steve Hunter pointed out the highest headcount in the history of the college and reviewed the handouts distributed at the morning session, which include a reference to 1978 when institution-wide planning was instituted to increase enrollment. During a discussion of decreased Third World enrollment, Erin Sitts offered to report back to the Board upon further inquiry of black students having problems of racial discrimination in the housing area. Trustee Jackson suggested she check with the Third World Coalition. Chairman Gelman pointed out the effect, if passed, of CPE's recommendation of a 22% increase for tuition for out-of-state students.

Higher Education Governance

Stan Marshburn reviewed the recommendations for altering the higher education governance structure. He presented a chart, prepared by the legislative joint committee studying governance, which summarizes the current statute for CPE, CPE's recommendations, LBC recommendations, and recommendations of the Temporary Committee on Educational Policies, Structure and Management. Trustee Robinson asked what Trustees should be addressing and in what arena. Mr. Marshburn responded that the budget and the programs would be of the most interest to the institution. Trustees discussed the importance of conveying an institutional stance at this time. Mr. Schwartz suggested staff will pull together background for discussion at the December meeting. Trustee Robinson is to send a role and mission statement prepared by the Trustees to the staff.

Board Chairman Report

Chairman Gelman reviewed responses he received to his suggestion that representatives of institutions get together to talk about mutual areas of interest, and announced a joint meeting with the presidential search committee scheduled for November 19.

Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting will be December 12, at 9 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Herbert Gelman, Chairman

George E. Mante, Secretary