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A biennium operating budget request for more than twenty million dollars was approved by the Evergreen State College Board of Trustees at its monthly meeting today (August 15).

The request, which will be submitted to the Office of Program Planning and Fiscal Management for the 1975-77 biennium, seeks \$18,706,299 from the state general fund and college-generated revenues, such as tuition and fees. The remaining \$1,687,554 will be generated from grants and contracts with the federal government and other program-sponsoring agencies.

The Evergreen Board also awarded a \$5,817,700 contract to the Jones and Roberts Construction Company of Tacoma for construction of the Communications Laboratory Building approved by the 1974 legislature. Construction is scheduled to begin immediately and completion of the 82,400-square foot structure is anticipated by the fall of 1976.

In other action, the Board awarded a \$2,184 contract to C.E. Skinner Inc., of Orting, for cabinets and sinks in the new Seminar Building and a \$41,397 contract to Valley Crest Landscape, Inc., of Bothell, for landscaping the Evergreen Parkway.

The Board also approved allocation of \$20,600 for remodeling of the college day care center known as the Driftwood House. The remodeling project is scheduled for completion before Fall Quarter begins September 30.

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