### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

### June 12, 2008

Trustees Attending:

Kristin Hayden

Absent:

David Lamb

Keith Kessler Karen Lane

Anne Proffitt

Paul Winters

Alexandra Valin

Martina Whelshula

Representatives to the Board:

Ernestine Kimbro, Faculty Representative

Trevor Kinahan, Geoduck Student Union Representative

**Staff Present:** 

Don Bantz, Academic Vice President and Provost Andy Corn, Assistant Director of Student Activities Art Costantino, Vice President for Student Affairs

John Carmichael, Executive Assistant to the President/Recording Secretary to the

**Board of Trustees** 

Lee Hoemann, Vice President for College Advancement John Hurley, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Tom Mercado, Director of Student Activities Collin Orr, Director of Business Services

Thomas L. Purce, President Paul Smith, Director of Facilities

Steve Trotter, Executive Director of Operational Planning and Budget

Others Present:

Colleen Warren, Senior Assistant Attorney General

Trustee Karen Lane called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the Seminar II Building, Room B1107 of The Evergreen State College. A quorum was present with Trustees Hayden, Kessler, Lane, Valin and Winters attending.

### **Operating Budget Request Work Session**

President Purce said that the college will be required to finalize its budget requests for the 2009-11 biennium this summer. The budget requests prepared by staff seek to articulate the college's budgetary needs. After the next legislative session, the Trustees will be asked to approve spending plans that reflect the actual resources available to the college. The budget request and the spending plan are likely to be significantly different.

Steve Trotter, Executive Director of Operational Planning and Budget, provided an overview of the state's budget process, including the roles of the Office of Financial Management, the Higher Education Coordinating Board, the legislature, and the governor. He also briefly described the college's process for allocating and managing financial resources after the state budget process concludes.

Don Bantz, Academic Vice President and Provost, said that the budget request for Academics was focused on faculty compensation, with modest increases in curricular support for graduate programs. Academics is also considering dual enrollment programs that would bring local high school students to Evergreen to earn college credit.

John Hurley, Vice President for Finance and Administration, described items in the operating budget request from his division. He highlighted staff compensation issues, the need for a new Human Resource Management Information System, campus safety, infrastructure and utility cost increases.

Lee Hoemann, Vice President for College Advancement, described items in the operating budget request, including work in College Relations to support student recruitment efforts, work in the development office to support fundraising, and work in the alumni office to engage graduates and encourage their continued support of the college.

Art Costantino, Vice President for Student Affairs, described items in the operating budget request from his division, including enhancement of student recruitment programs, new positions to support student retention, support for conflict resolution, and campus safety.

### Capital Budget Request and Ten-Year Capital Plan

Vice President John Hurley and Director of Facilities Paul Smith presented staff recommendations for the 2009-11 Capital Budget Request and ten-year plan. Dr. Hurley noted that the Office of Financial Management is developing criteria for prioritizing capital requests. He said that the college's request is tied to the college's recently adopted Master Plan. The college's request would seek funding in the next biennium for modernization of the Arts Annex, renovation of the Communications Building, pre-design of a renovation of the Lecture Halls, pre-design of a renovation of the College Recreation Center, and pre-planning for a project to develop clean energy on campus.

### Services and Activities (S&A) Tier Two Budget

Vice President Art Costantino said that Services and Activities Fees are allocated to Tier I and Tier II organizations. The Tier I budget supports student organizations that have professional administrative staff. The Tier II budget supports all other recognized student organizations. Director of Student Activities Tom Mercado introduced Assistant Director of Activities Andy Corn, Geoduck Student Union Representative Brittany Newhouse, and S&A Board Coordinator Alex Valin. Mr. Corn described the process that the Board used to reach consensus on the budget recommendation. Ms. Valin described the appeals process that organizations that were unhappy with the S&A Board's decision could pursue.

### Washington Student Lobby Fee

Director of Student Activities Tom Mercado said that students need to collect a voluntary fee in order to engage in any lobbying. The Geoduck Student Union placed a proposed voluntary fee on the ballot in the Spring student election. The proposed fee would allow Evergreen students to join the Washington Student Lobby. The referendum passed according the Geoduck Student Union's election rules. Mr. Mercado noted that under Initiative 960, this new fee, if approved by the Board, would be included in the college's budget request and could not be collected until approved by the legislature.

### WashPIRG fee

Vice President Art Costantino introduced Emily Saxton, WashPIRG organizer, and students Justin Shephard, and Mark Lasley. Dr. Costantino recalled the discussion at the Board's May meeting. The college's contract with WashPIRG calls for a student vote to be held every two years in order to continue collection of a voluntary WashPIRG fee. For the fee to continue under the terms of the contract, 25 percent of eligible students must vote affirmatively. Although the WashPIRG fee referendum passed under the rules established by the Geoduck Student Union, it did not meet the standard set in the contract. Dr. Costantino recommended that the Board approve an amendment to the WashPIRG contract that would incorporate the Geoduck Student Union's election rules, and then approve a continuation of the WashPIRG fee under a new contract. Geoduck Student Union Representative Brittany Newhouse read a letter asking the Board of Trustees to continue the WashPIRG fee.

### Proposed changes to Student and Activities Fee Policies

Geoduck Student Union Representative Brittany Newhouse said that the Board's policy on Services and Activity (S&A) Fee Allocation needs to be updated to reflect the existence of the Geoduck Student Union (GSU). The GSU and the S&A Board met to jointly develop a set of proposed changes to the policy, including changing the timing of hiring S&A Board members and the S&A Coordinator, updating job descriptions, and requiring a joint retreat for the GSU and S&A Board each fall.

### **Public Comment**

Trustee Lane invited public comment. Mark Lasley and Puck Franta spoke in favor of continuing the WashPIRG's contract.

### **Evergreen State College Foundation**

Janis Mercker, chair of the The Evergreen State College Foundation and Foundation Board member Craig Chance presented an annual report on behalf of the Foundation. Dr. Mercker reported that Christina Koons will be chair of the Foundation Board next year. Craig Chance will be vice chair. Paul Goldberg will serve as secretary and Ralph Bietz as Treasurer. Joe Dear, Mark Vestrich and Janis Mercker will be leaving the board. Two new members have recently joined the Board: Laura Littlefield and Jane Rushford.

Dr. Mercker reported on the Foundation's progress on leadership development, fundraising, and the alignment of strategic planning for both the college and Foundation. She said that the Phonathon has met its goal for the year, but the Foundation may fall short of its ambitious \$500,000 goal for the Annual Fund, probably because of the weakening economy and younger alumni giving to political causes during this election year.

### Motion

2008-18

Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the agreement between The Evergreen State College and The Evergreen State College Foundation. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### Tier II Services and Activity Fee Allocation Budget

Motion 2008-19

Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the 2008-2009 Services and Activities (S&A) Tier Two budget as developed by the Services and Activities Fee Allocation Board, totaling \$341,094. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### Washington Student Lobby Fee

Motion 2008-20

Mr. Kessler made a motion to implement a \$2.00 per student, per quarter voluntary fee for the 2008-2009 academic year to support student initiatives related to advancing The Evergreen State College's visibility and reputation in the legislative arena as well as membership to the Washington Student Lobby. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### WashPIRG

Motion 2008-21

Ms. Valin made a motion to:

a. Amend the college's current contract with WashPIRG to remove the requirement that "More than twenty-five percent (25%) of the student body must vote in favor of the fee" and insert the requirement that "The organization agrees to abide by referendum rules set forth by the Geoduck Student Union."

b. Continue collection of an optional \$8.00 "WASHPIRG" student fee to be collected each quarter (including summer quarter) through Summer Quarter 2010.

c. Delegate to the President (or his designee) the authority to enter into an agreement with WashPIRG to implement collection of the WashPIRG fee from Fall Quarter 2008 through Summer Quarter 2010.

The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### Operating Budget Request for 2009-2011

Motion

Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the proposed operating budget request for 2009-

**2008-22** 2011 as follows:

	FTE	
	Employees	Biennial Amt
Current Operating Budget Level	630.0	108,344,000
Current Authorized Level Adjustments		<u>477,000</u>
09-11 Current Authorized Level Budget Request	630.0	108,821,000
Maintenance Level Adjustments:		
Tacoma Lease Increase		443,618
Fire Contract Increase		167,529
Utility Rate Increase `		741,560
Total Maintenance Level Requests		1,352,707
09-11 Policy Requests:	•	
Employee Recruitment and Retention	10.75	6,606,697
Student Recruitment and Retention	11.50	2,576,271
Basic Infrastructure & Institutional Capacity	<u>11.50</u>	<u>3,923,975</u>
Total Policy Requests	33.8	13,106,943
TOTAL 09-11 OPERATING BUDGET REQUEST	663.8	123,280,650

The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### Capital Budget Request for 2009-2011

Motion 2008-23

Mr. Kessler made a motion to approve the 2009-19 capital plan and the 2009-11 capital

budget request as follows:

	2009-11
	Capital Request
Safety & Code Compliance	2,515,000
Facility Preservation	4,525,000
Infrastructure Preservation	1,380,000
Sustainable Ag Lab/Greenhouse	1,550,000
Storage Building	750,000
Small Repairs and Improvements	520,000
Art Annex Modernization	4,920,000
Comm. Building Renovation	12,500,000
Lecture Hall Pre-design/construction	300,000

CRC Pre-design/design/construction	325,000
Clean Energy System Preplan	500,000
GRAND TOTAL	29,785,000

	2007-09 Reappropriations
Safety & Code Compliance	750,000
Facility Preservation	750,000
Infrastructure Preservation	350,000
Small Repairs and Improvements	75,000
Longhouse Renovation/Expansion	255,000
College Activities Building Renovaiton	4,120,000
Total Reappropriation Request	6,300,000

The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion 2008-24

Mr. Kessler made a motion to approve the minutes of the May meeting. The motion

was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### **Appointment of Board Officers**

Trustee Karen Lane said that the nominating committee proposed Karen Lane as chair, Paul Winters as vice chair, and Anne Proffitt as secretary for the 2008-2009 year. She also reported that Kristin Hayden had agreed to serve as the Board's liaison with the Foundation Board of Governors.

Motion 2008-25

Mr. Kessler made a motion to approve the recommendation of the nominating committee appointing Karen Lane as chair, Paul Winters as vice chair, and Anne Proffitt as secretary for the 2008-2009 year. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

### **Student Trustee's Report**

Alex Valin noted that this would be her last meeting as a Trustee. She thanked the Board for being welcoming and accessible and taking her comments seriously. She reviewed several issues that she did not have a chance to raise during her short term of office, including accessibility for students to campus resources such as the experimental theater and recital hall, the need to ensure that new students are committed to the Evergreen model of education, the importance of keeping tuition reasonable, improving the connection between Olympia and Tacoma, building Evergreen's leadership in food and energy sustainability, and ethical investment practices.

### **President's Report**

President Purce invited Ernestine Kimbro to report as Faculty Representative to the Board. She introduced Stephen Beck, who would be assuming the role of Faculty Representative to the Board. She said that she appreciated the care and affection of the Trustees for the school.

President Purce invited Trevor Kinahan to report as Geoduck Student Union Representative to the Board. Mr. Kinahan noted that the Board received a very detailed account of the Geoduck Student Union's activities at the previous meeting. He described a meeting with students and administrators to discuss

issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act and said that he looks forward to continued work on those issues over the summer. He thanked administration for responding to a sit-in by Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) in a healthy manner and thanked SDS for fighting for their beliefs.

President Purce said that his self-evaluation is posted on the college's web site and all members of the community are invited to comment. He reviewed his activities during the past month and invited Vice President Art Costantino to introduce the Super Saturday Planning Committee.

### Chair's Report

Ms. Lane noted the Board's sadness at the passing of Bonnie Marie.

### **Appointment of Emeritus Faculty**

Provost Don Bantz on behalf of the faculty recommended that the board confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty on Patrick Hill, Jeff Kelly, Betty Kutter, Helena Meyer-Knapp, Jan Ott and John Perkins.

Motion 2008-26	Mr. Winters made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-04 appointing Patrick Hill faculty emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
Motion 2008-27	Ms. Hayden made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-05 appointing Jeff Kelly faculty emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
Motion 2008-28	Mr. Kessler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-06 appointing Betty Kutter faculty emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
Motion 2008-29	Ms. Valin made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-07 appointing Helena Meyer-Knapp faculty emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
Motion 2008-30	Ms. Hayden made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-08 appointing Jan Ott faculty emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
Motion 2008-31	Mr. Winters made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-09 appointing John Perkins faculty emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Vice President and Provost Don Bantz presented a gift to each of the new emeritus faculty and Ms. Lane invited the recipients to say a few words.

### Adjournment

Ms. Lane adjourned the meeting at 3:52 p.m.

Karen E. Lane, Chair

Proffitt, Secretary

### Resolution No. 2008-04 of the Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College

## Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Patrick Hill

Upon unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

and Provost; of his contributions to the curriculum in the areas of Irish studies and philosophy; of his scholathy leadership; of his ability to maintain the tension between collaboration and free-flowing creativity; of his leadership in hiring a diverse faculty with substantive In recognition of 24 years of outstanding service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty and Academic Vice President multicultural experience;

community; of his deep commitment to social justice; of his thoughtful work with both colleagues and students while engaging in difficult In appreciation of his commitment to both process and content; of his genuine concern for students; of his principles of forgiveness and subjects; of his brilliant lectures; and of his storytelling and poetry;

The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty upon Patrick Hill, with all the rights and privileges

Done this 12th day of June 2008, in open meeting by the Board of Trustees.

### Resolution No. 2008-05

of the Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College

## Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Jeff Kelly

Upon unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

curriculum in the areas of chemistry and environmental analysis; of his participation in a broad array of major governance assignments; of In recognition of 36 years of outstanding service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of his contributions to the his modeling the role of active teacher and researcher; of his excellence in pursuit of research support; In appreciation of his careful design of programs, exams and workshops; of his clarity in explaining complex matters; of his commitment to making science accessible to "non-science" students; of his maintenance of a research lab that provides significant opportunities for undergraduate students; of his meticulous teaching; and of his humor;

The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty upon Jeff Kelly, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

Done this 12th day of June 2008, in open meeting by the Board of Trustees.

Thomas L. Purce, President

### Resolution No. 2008-06 of the Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College

## Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Betty Kutter

Upon unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

and teaching of Evergreen's multi-disciplinary health curriculum; of her broad-ranging curiosity; of her active and significant phage biology In recognition of 35 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of her leadership in the design research agenda with national and international collaborators; of her contagious optimism and enthusiasm;

recognition of each student's unique contributions, of her support and availability to students; and of her work as a role model for women In appreciation of her dedication to providing excellent learning opportunities for students through involvement with her research; of her in science; The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty upon Betty Kutter, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

Done this 12th day of June 2008, in open meeting by the Board of Trustees.

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### Resolution No. 2008-07 of the Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College

# Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Helena Meyer-Knapp

Upon unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

of her contributions to the governance of the college; of her advocacy for creative, high-quality programs that meet the needs of adult part-In recognition of 23 years of outstanding service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of her teaching across broad areas of the curriculum; of her significant contributions to the college in advising and working both faculty and student through conflicts, time students;

opportunity; of her pursuit of interdisciplinary connections in exploring significant social issues; of her well-designed syllabi and detailed In appreciation of her teaching that embodies the Five Foci; of her mentoring of new faculty; of her ability to make conflict a learning course descriptions; and of her work as teacher, scholar and activist; The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty upon Helena Meyer-Knapp, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

Done this 12th day of June 2008, in open meeting by the Board of Trustees.

Karen E. Lane, Chair

Thomas L. Purce, President

### Resolution No. 2008-08

of the Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College

### Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Jan Ott

Upon unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

curriculum that support alternative healing practices; of her contributions to college governance work; of her work as both teacher and In recognition of 22 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of her teaching in areas of learner; of her commitment to making science accessible to "non-science" students,

campus events through song, of her enthusiasm; of her willingness to experiment in program activities, of her thorough and honest work; In appreciation of her ability to bridge study in both science and art; of her humor in lectures and workshops; of her participation in and of her commitment to an intentional life;

The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty upon Jan Ott, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

Done this 12th day of June 2008, in open meeting by the Board of Trustees.

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### Resolution No. 2008-09

of the Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College

## Conferring Emeritus Status Upon John Perkins

Upon unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

contributions to the curriculum in many areas including the biological sciences, environmental history, and public policy, of his service as In recognition of 27 years of outstanding service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty and Academic Dean; of his Director of the Master of Environmental Studies program; of his continued work on major college governance; of his dedication to academic excellence; of his clear sense of both problems, and solutions; In appreciation of his thought-provoking lectures; of his creative, steady and effective work with students; of his generosity as a colleague; of his detailed, thoughtful and constructive student evaluations; of his commitment to staff development; of his subtle, humorous way of pointing out real problems; of his fair, and consistent and wry nature; The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty upon John Perkins, with all the rights and privileges

Done this 12th day of June 2008, in open meeting by the Board of Trustees.

Karen E. Lane, Chair

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