

# NEWS

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The Board of Trustees of The Evergreen State College at Olympia today approved a \$16,678,519 operating budget request to the governor and state legislature for proposed funding in the 1971-73 biennium.

The budget request contains funds for accommodating enrollments of 800 in 1971 and 1700 in 1972, plus providing resources and systems needed to gear up for 2700 students in 1973. The request envisions a continuous year-round operation of the college--as opposed to the usual nine-months and "summer school" scheduling--and also is designed to meet the huge enrollment surges Evergreen will experience.

"Our enrollments will increase very sharply--by more than 100 per cent in 1972 and more than 60 per cent in 1973," said Evergreen President Charles J. McCann. "We know precisely where we'll be in the future. Thus, we're not staffing up for 800, plus some unknown figure in our first biennium."

"What we're doing is staffing so that at the end of three biennia--when we're at 7,000 students--we'll be operating, we'll be driving along with the force all caught up with 7,000, looking toward 9,000, instead of trying desperately to catch up with machinery that was put together for 2500 or 3000," McCann added.

The college's request seeks \$7,013,789 in the first year of the next biennium and \$9,664,730 in the second.

Evergreen trustees a month ago submitted their 1971-73 capital budget request of \$36,849,928 to the governor and the legislature.

Dick Nichols, Director  
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In other business, trustees:

--Approved a resolution supporting State Highways Department plans for the route of and accesses to a proposed four-lane, limited-access parkway from the Highway 101 freeway, west of Olympia, to the southern edge of the college campus.

--Approved schematic drawings submitted by architects and engineers for several proposed 1971-73 capital improvement projects--health services building; emergency services building; second-phase shops and garages; site improvements, utilities, and roads; and landscaping.

--Approved a lease with Northwest Homes of Chehalis for modular buildings being utilized as temporary office quarters until permanent facilities are completed in the fall of 1971.

--Increased the budget on remodeling of the college-owned president's home from \$44,708 to \$52,908.

--And set September 17 as the date for the next board meeting.

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