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EVERGREEN TRUSTEES AWARD TWO CONTRACTS

Trustees of The Evergreen State College at Olympia today awarded a one-year food services contract to ARA Slater Company of Philadelphia, effective when the new college opens next September. The contract contains annual renewal options for a five-year period, each to be exercised at the discretion of college officials.

Slater, which maintains a sales office in Bellevue, was one of five firms which submitted proposals for supplying cafeteria and library snack bar food services, vending machine operations and management of a retail food store in the college activities building. Twelve firms, including two companies in Washington, reviewed contract specifications, but only five submitted final proposals.

Evergreen Vice President For Business Dean Clabaugh told trustees that the food services contractor will begin joint planning of facilities and operations with college personnel as soon as the necessary legal papers are finalized. One of the first steps will involve hiring a manager for the Evergreen food services operation, Clabaugh explained. This person, in turn, will then begin assisting college officials in the purchase of small equipment items and other supplies so that all necessary services will be operational in September.

The Board of Trustees also approved another contract award at today's meeting, a \$77,840 pact with Northwest Interiors of Seattle for supplying carpets for the college's student residential center. The Seattle firm had submitted the lowest of five bids.

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