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WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

March 18, 1983

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Board of Trustees was held on March 18, 1983 in the Board of Trustees Room of the University Student Center.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edwards at 9:30 a.m. He welcomed Trustee Emeritus John R. Dykema to the meeting.

Trustees present: Adams, Caine, Edwards, Franks, Ludlow, Parfet, Werme and President Bernhard (ex officio).

Also present: Mr. Beam, Mr. Brinn, Mr. Carr, Vice President Coyne, Dr. Denenfeld, Vice President Ehrle, Mr. Gagie, Vice President Hannah, Mr. Kowalski, Mr. Matthews, Ms. Rank, Mr. Smythe, Vice President Wetnight, Mr. Wonderling, Mr. Stoddard (Faculty Senate), Dr. Shull and Dr. Bailey (AAUP), and Mr. Staulter (Western Student Association).

Acceptance of the Agenda. Following a motion by Trustee Adams, supported by Trustee Caine, the Board of Trustees approved the agenda for the meeting as presented.

Minutes. On a motion by Trustee Ludlow, supported by Trustee Werme, the minutes of the February 25, 1983 regular meeting were approved as distributed.

Correspondence. Mr. Brinn indicated that no communications had been received.

President's Remarks. In his prepared remarks (on file in the Board Secretary's Office), President Bernhard reported the following: the formation of the "Committee to Save Michigan," a coalition to urge the Legislature to quickly adopt a balanced program as a long-term solution to the State's grave fiscal crisis; a follow-up conference for freshmen and sophomores with their high school principals and counselors, sponsored by the Undergraduate Admissions Office; the election of Roger A. Bennett and Fred V. Hartenstein as president and vice president respectively of the Faculty Senate; a conference, "Diversion of Great Lakes Water--Critical Resource, Critical Issue," co-sponsored by the Department of Geology and the Division of Continuing Education; the loan of an industrial robot and control system to our College of Engineering and Applied Sciences by Prab Robots, Inc., the approval of an Amoco Foundation master's degree fellowship for the 1983-84 academic year; the selection of the film, "Paolo Soleri: Arcosanti," produced by R. Mark Spink, for showing at the Film Fest Midwest; the broadcasting of "WMU Presents," a 30-minute television news-magazine, with Michael J. Matthews as producer and program host and R. Mark Spink as co-producer and program director; the 10th annual Professor of the Day program sponsored by the College of Business; the re-election of Dr. Sid Dykstra as chairman of the Kalamazoo Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council; Fred Decker's 200th victory as head baseball coach; the selection of Linda Berndt, senior student from Dearborn, to attend a tryout camp for the 1983 Pan American Games; the WMU

men's tennis team, coached by Jack Vredevelt, recording its 500th all-time victory; and the presentation by the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences of the sixth annual Tech-Expo, "Applications for Tomorrow--'83."

President Bernhard also expressed the sympathy of the University at the deaths of Dr. Beth Schultz, emerita professor of biology; Dr. Eunice E. Herald, emerita professor and head of home economics; Dr. John L. Bendix, emeritus professor of industrial technology and education; Mr. Herbert G. Butler, professor of music and conductor of the University Symphony Orchestra; and Miss Amy Marie Dodge, a junior student from Jackson.

Academic Personnel Report. The Board of Trustees approved the report as presented by Dr. Denenfeld, on a motion by Trustee Adams, supported by Trustee Ludlow, and endorsed by the Academic Affairs Committee.

#### APPOINTMENT - FACULTY

##### Adjunct Status - Reappointment

Kathryn Loew, Adjunct Associate Professor, School of Music, effective April 20, 1983, terminating April 19, 1986. (Organ)

##### Adjunct Status - Appointment

Brian A. Iwata, Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, effective February 1, 1983, terminating February 1, 1986. (Community and School Psychology)

J. Michael Kemp, Adjunct Professor, Department of General Business, effective February 3, 1983, terminating February 3, 1986. (Law)

Pamela A. Lemerand, Adjunct Professor, Department of Occupational Therapy, effective April 1, 1983, terminating March 31, 1986. (Occupational Therapy)

Faye A. Luscombe, Adjunct Assistant Professor, College of Health and Human Services, effective April 1, 1983, terminating March 31, 1984. (Research Epidemiologist)

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY

Robert G. Kotecki, Assistant Professor, Department of Education and Professional Development, from January 4, 1984 to April 21, 1984, to serve as the English curriculum coordinator at the Escola Americana de Rio de Janeiro.

Non-Academic Personnel Report. The report, as presented by Vice President Wetnight, was approved by the Board of Trustees, on a motion by Trustee Parfet, supported by Trustee Werme.

RETIREMENTS

Suzanne F. Graham, Head Salad Maker, Food Service, effective April 14, 1983.

Christine Kruizenga, Head Line Person, Food Service, effective March 1, 1983.

Adeline Saggio, Accounting Clerk II, Accounts Receivable, effective March 31, 1983.

Gift and Grant Report. Following a motion by Trustee Ludlow, supported by Trustee Werme, the Board of Trustees accepted the gifts and grants for the University as contained in the Gift and Grant Report for February 1983. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge these gifts and express appreciation to the donors on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Departmental Name Changes. As presented by Vice President Ehrle, on a motion Trustee Caine, supported by Trustee Werme, and endorsed by the Academic Affairs Committee, the following departmental name changes were approved, effective immediately.

Department of General Business to the Department of Finance and Commercial Law.

Departments of Home Economics, Distributive Education, and Agriculture to be merged as the Department of Consumer Resources and Technology.

Recommendation re Student Housing Rates. As presented by Vice President Wetnight and endorsed by the Budget and Finance Committee, it was moved by Trustee Parfet and supported by Trustee Werme that the following student housing rates be approved. The establishment of a variable meal plan is included in the recommendation, with the option of 20 meals or 15 meals per week (with no weekend meals). Vice President Wetnight indicated that the increases are cost driven, with a recommended 5% increase in room and board rates and a 10% increase in monthly apartment rates. The proposed changes would also include the closing of Spindler Hall, all of the Valley II complex (half of the complex was closed in January), and the designation of Hoekje Hall as a non-food housing facility. As recommended by Vice President Wetnight, the recommendation was tabled until the April 22, 1983 Board of Trustees meeting on a motion by Trustee Parfet, supported by Trustee Ludlow.

STUDENT HOUSING RATES

<u>Room</u>	<u>1982/83</u>	<u>1983/84</u>
Summer	\$205	\$215
Fall	422	451
Winter	422	435
Spring	209	219
Single Room - Per Day	2	2

	<u>1982/83</u>	<u>1983/84</u>
<u>Board (20 Meal Plan)</u>		
Fall	\$631	\$665
Winter	656	688
Spring	308	323
<u>Board (15 Meal Plan)</u>		
Fall		635
Winter		658
<u>Apartments (Per Month)</u>		
<u>Elmwood and Goldsworth Valley</u>		
1 BR - Furnished	178	196
2 BR - Furnished	198	218
1 BR - Unfurnished	170	187
2 BR - Unfurnished	186	205
<u>Stadium Drive I</u>		
1 BR - Furnished	190	209
2 BR - Furnished	206	227
<u>Stadium Drive II</u>		
2 BR - Unfurnished	206	227

Authorization to Confer Degrees. As presented by Secretary Brinn, moved by Trustee Ludlow and supported by Trustee Parfet, the President of the University was authorized to confer degrees at the April 23, 1983 commencement, as recommended by the Faculty.

Recommendation re Honorary Degrees. President Bernhard presented the names of those persons recommended to receive honorary degrees at the April 23 commencement. Following a motion by Trustee Adams, supported by Trustee Caine, the following recipients were approved.

Mr. Erick Hawkins	Doctor of Fine Arts
Mr. John W. Nelson	Doctor of Science

Executive Session on Litigation. On a motion by Trustee Ludlow, supported by Trustee Caine, the Board of Trustees agreed, on a 7-0 roll call vote, to go into executive session. The Board went into executive session at 10:10 a.m. and returned to general session at 11:10 a.m.

Board Committee Reports.

Academic Affairs - Trustee Caine indicated they had reviewed the Academic Personnel Report, had some preliminary discussion on 1984/85 reductions, received an update on the Engineering Dean search, and discussed University reorganization.

Advisory - There was no report.

Budget and Finance - Trustee Parfet said that in addition to the items reported on during the meeting they had received a legislative update, discussed naming of buildings, turf alternatives, employee insurance and cash flow problems.

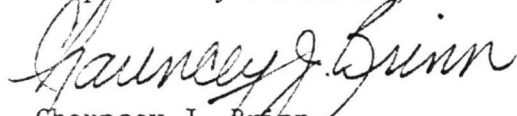
Personnel, Planning and Legislation - Trustee Ludlow reported they had also received a legislative update and discussed turf replacement.

Student Services - Trustee Adams said their committee had met with members of the Western Student Association.

Public Comments. There were five requests to address the Board of Trustees. Mhidi Djebbur and Marium Al Aboudi spoke against the possible layoff of a faculty member who specializes in Islamic religion. Michael Villare, editor of the Western Herald, spoke on the Open Meetings Act. Jason Craig also spoke against layoffs and requested that the public comment section of the Board meeting be scheduled before executive sessions for the convenience of those who wished to address the Board. Scott Staulter, Western Student Association President, presented a WSA resolution asking that all faculty and administrators return all future salary increases (except for cost of living increases) to the University general fund--to keep needed faculty on the payroll.

Adjournment. On a motion by Trustee Parfet, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m., with Trustee Emeritus Dykema expressing his pleasure at being able to attend the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Chauncey J. Brinn  
Secretary  
Board of Trustees

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