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WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 19, 1986

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Board of Trustees was held on Friday, September 19, 1986. The meeting, held in the Cheboygan-Harbor Springs Room at the Marriott Inn, Grand Rapids, was called to order by Chairman Adams at 10:20 a.m.

Board members present: Trustee Adams, Trustee Fraser, Trustee Howard, Trustee Ludlow, Trustee Reed, Trustee Waszkiewicz, Trustee Williams, and President Haenicke (ex officio). Special guests - Trustee Emeritus Mildred Johnson and Mr. Conrad Johnson.

Acceptance of the Agenda. On a motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Trustee Fraser, the Board of Trustees accepted the agenda as presented by Chairman Adams.

Approval of the Minutes. Following a motion by Trustee Waszkiewicz, supported by Trustee Williams, the minutes of the July 18, 1986 regular meeting were approved.

Correspondence. Vice President Brinn indicated that no communications had been received.

President's Remarks. President Haenicke announced that the meeting was a historic first--the first regular Board meeting to be held off the main campus. He spoke of the significance of Grand Rapids being selected as the site for the meeting, of Western's very strong educational presence in Grand Rapids, maintained for many years, of the active and loyal alumni group in Kent County numbering some 6,000 persons, and of Western's continuing commitment to alumni and educational programs in the Grand Rapids area.

In his prepared remarks (a complete copy is attached), President Haenicke highlighted the following: an increased fall enrollment totaling 21,500 students and an increase in residence hall occupancy; the world's first five-horsepower "plastic engine" produced by Western students under the leadership of Dr. Jay Easwaran; the Southwest Michigan Groundwater Survey and Monitoring Program, based at WMU and directed by Dr. Donald J. Brown; the accreditation of the computer science-theory and analysis major in the Department of Computer Science by the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board, Inc.; the receipt of several grants--one from the U.S. Department of Education to fund a training program for teaching physical education to handicapped children, coordinated by Dr. Billye Cheatum, and another from the Michigan Board of Education to fund activities in the vocational teacher education program, coordinated by Professor Jack T. Humbert; the appointment of Dr. James B. Matthews to the State Board of Professional Engineers by Governor James J. Blanchard; the tenth ASCAP Award (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers) to Professor Curtis Curtis-Smith; Dr. Arnold Johnston honored as a recipient of the Community Medal of Arts Award: an outstanding achievement award from the Arts Foundation of Michigan to Professor Stuart Dybek; Beth Anne Butters, senior student from Tecumseh, winning top honors at the secondary level in the national competition to select an outstanding

student teacher; the awarding of a NCAA post-graduate scholarship to Kayla Skelly, 1986 Western graduate from Midland; participation of four WMU students and graduates in international competition next year in Finland as members of the U.S. Precision Flight Team; the Brown and Gold Day activities, sponsored by the Office of Admissions, for high school and community college students and their families; and the Governors' Forum, hosted by the WMU Institute of Government and Politics, featuring former Michigan governors G. Mennen Williams and George Romney.

Gift Report. The Board of Trustees accepted the gifts for the University as contained in the June and July gift reports, as presented by Vice President Brinn, on a motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Trustee Fraser.

Grant Report. Dr. Donald Thompson presented the June and July grant reports. They were approved by the Board of Trustees on a motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Trustee Fraser.

Personnel Report. The Personnel Report was approved by the Board of Trustees, as presented by Provost Denefeld and Vice President Coyne. The academic portion of the report was approved on a motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Trustee Waszkiewicz; and the non-academic portion was approved on a motion by Trustee Ludlow, supported by Trustee Reed.

#### Personnel Report

#### APPOINTMENTS - FACULTY

##### Appointment-Tenure Track

David A. Barnes, Assistant Professor, Department of Geology, effective August 11, 1986.

Joseph G. Buchman, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication Arts and Sciences, effective August 11, 1986.

J. S. Duggal, Associate Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective August 11, 1986.

Susan Kieft, Assistant Professor, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, effective August 11, 1986

Frederick F. MacDonald, Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, effective August 11, 1986.

Joseph R. Morris, Assistant Professor, Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, effective August 11, 1986.

Ralph Tanner, Assistant Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective August 11, 1986.

##### Reappointment-Term

Susan Caringella-MacDonald, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 23, 1988.

Marion Pratnicki, Assistant Professor, School of Music, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 23, 1988.

Appointment-Term

Lisa Derry, Assistant Professor, School of Music, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 23, 1988.

Alan Kehew, Associate Professor, Department of Geology, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 23, 1988.

Jerry L. Morton, Assistant Professor, Department of English, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 23, 1988.

Reappointment Temporary

Robert W. Barber, Instructor, Department of Finance and Commercial Law, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Olga Bonfiglio, Instructor, Department of Business Information Systems, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Janet I. Camburn, Instructor, Department of Accountancy, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Mary Ebey, Instructor, Department of Accountancy, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Mark Gwiazdowski, Instructor, Department of Accountancy, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Robert Hegel, Instructor, Department of Business Information Systems, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Faye L. Koestner, Instructor, Department of Business Information Systems, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Mary Margrave, Instructor, Department of Accountancy, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Candis Warner, Instructor, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Appointment-Temporary

Christina M. Eichenlaub, Instructor, Department of Finance and Commercial Law, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Sherry L. Folsom-Meek, Instructor, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Mary Hegland, Instructor, Department of Anthropology, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987. (LOA replacement)

Geralyn Heystek, Instructor, Department of Marketing, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Barbara Hughey, Instructor, Department of Communication Arts and Sciences, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Parviz Merati, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Joseph W. Petro, Jr., Instructor, Department of Industrial Engineering, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Soundar Rajan, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Jack M. Ruhl, Instructor, Department of Accountancy, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987.

Elizabethe Schau, Instructor, Department of Occupational Therapy, effective August 11, 1986, terminating April 25, 1987. (Half-time)

#### Reappointment-Adjunct Status

Neal A. Davidson, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, effective September 1, 1986, terminating August 31, 1989. (Clinical Psychology)

Grace Emley, Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, effective September 1, 1986, terminating August 31, 1989. (Clinical Psychology)

John Gallagher, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, effective September 1, 1986, terminating August 31, 1989. (Counseling Psychology)

Richard P. Heintz, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective August 11, 1986, terminating August 10, 1989. (Design Engineering)

Ronald R. Hutchinson, Adjunct Professor, Department of Psychology, effective September 1, 1986, terminating August 31, 1989. (Psychology)

Melvin J. Tessin, Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Management, effective August 11, 1986, terminating August 10, 1989. (Management)

C. Richard Tsegaye-Spates, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, effective September 1, 1986, terminating August 31, 1989. (Clinical Psychology)

#### Appointment-Adjunct Status

Stanley K. Derby, Adjunct Professor, Department of Physics, effective August 11, 1986, terminating August 10, 1989. (Physics/Emission Spectroscopy)

Keith Edmondson, Adjunct Professor, Department of Industrial Engineering, effective August 11, 1986, terminating August 10, 1988. (Manufacturing and Administration)

Pamela J. Olheiser, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Marketing, effective August 11, 1986, terminating August 10, 1989. (Marketing/Advertising)

Joseph C. Seelig, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, effective September 1, 1986, terminating August 31, 1989. (Counseling Psychology/Counselor Education)

Jon R. Thompson, Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Education and Professional Development, effective August 11, 1986, terminating August 10, 1989. (Curriculum Instruction/Science Education)

#### APPOINTMENT - NON-FACULTY

##### Appointment as Assistant Director

David S. Carn, Assistant Director for User Services, Academic Computer Center, effective September 2, 1986.

#### RESIGNATIONS

Subramaniam Ganesan, Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, effective August 10, 1986.

Sam Haddad, Associate Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective August 11, 1986

Jamshid Mehran, Assistant Professor, Department of Finance and Commercial Law, effective August 10, 1986.

M. Joanne Mohr, Professor, Department of Art, effective August 10, 1986.

#### RETIREMENTS WITH EMERITUS STATUS

Paul E. Czuchna, Assistant Professor, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, effective December 23, 1986, with the title Assistant Professor Emeritus of Speech Pathology and Audiology.

D.P.S. Dwarikesh, Professor, Department of Languages and Linguistics, effective April 25, 1987, with the title Professor Emeritus of Languages and Linguistics.

Wally Fillingham, Associate Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Engineering Technology.

Rex E. Hall, Associate Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Engineering Technology.

- Thomas Hardie, Associate Professor, School of Music, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Music.
- Marjorie K. Ho, Professor, University Libraries, effective January 2, 1987, with the title Professor Emeritus of University Libraries.
- Oscar H. Horst, Professor, Department of Geography, effective January 1, 1987, with the title Professor Emeritus of Geography.
- Gilbert H. Hutchings, Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Professor Emeritus of Engineering Technology.
- Maynard Kaufman, Associate Professor, Department of Religion, effective January 1, 1987, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Religion.
- Alice Kavanaugh, Associate Professor, Department of Consumer Resources and Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Consumer Resources and Technology.
- Joseph C. McCully, Professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, effective January 3, 1987, with the title Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Statistics.
- George Osmun, Professor, Department of Languages and Linguistics, effective January 2, 1987, with the title Professor Emeritus of Languages and Linguistics.
- Leo S. Rayl, Jr., Professor, Department of Industrial Engineering, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Professor Emeritus of Industrial Engineering.
- Charles G. Risher, Professor, Department of Consumer Resources and Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Professor Emeritus of Consumer Resources and Technology.
- Pat Schiffer, Assistant Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Assistant Professor Emeritus of Engineering Technology.
- Walter Schwersinske, Associate Professor, Department of Engineering Technology, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Engineering Technology.
- Carol F. Sheffer, Associate Professor, Department of Educational Leadership, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Educational Leadership.
- Dorothy E. Smith, Assistant Professor, Department of Education and Professional Development, effective December 31, 1986, with the title Assistant Professor Emeritus of Education and Professional Development.

RETIREMENTS

Aina Abolins, Finance Clerk, Division of Continuing Education, effective August 29, 1986.

Pearl Baskerville-Robinson, Director of Academic Advising, College of General Studies, effective July 11, 1986.

Eula M. Gaston, Custodian, Plant Custodial Service, effective August 29, 1986.

Jacquelyn Luplow, Executive Secretary, Dean of Students, effective August 22, 1986.

Lorella A. McWethy, Custodian, Residence Hall Custodial, effective August 22, 1986.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY

Alan H. Jacobs, Professor, Department of Anthropology, from December 15, 1986, to April 25, 1987, to serve as a Visiting Professor at Nankai University, People's Republic of China.

Recommendation re Bonding Resolution. After a unanimous roll call vote, the Board of Trustees approved the bonding resolution (on file in the Secretary's office) and rescinded action taken at the July Board meeting re a borrowing resolution and a bond offering. The action taken, on a motion by Trustee Ludlow, supported by Trustee Howard, and endorsed by the Budget and Finance Committee, permits the issuance of bonds totaling \$27.9 million rather than \$25 million as previously approved. Vice President Beam indicated that due to probable changes in the federal tax code it was no longer feasible to finalize the loan, approved at the July meeting; and therefore, the two groups of projects were combined. The new resolution will support the development of the telecommunications network and the improvement of the academic computer facilities, as well as help with seven other construction projects.

Recommendation re MPSERS-MIP Plan. On a motion by Trustee Ludlow, supported by Trustee Waszkiewicz, and endorsed by the Budget and Finance Committee, the Board approved the following resolution permitting University employees who are members of MPSERS (Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System) to make supplemental tax-sheltered contributions of 4 percent of their gross pay through the MIP (Membership Investment Program).

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Western Michigan University employees are covered for retirement pension purposes under the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement Act being Act 300 of the Public Acts 1980 as amended and

WHEREAS the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System Act was recently amended by Act 91 of the Public Acts of 1985, to provide for tax deferment of a Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System member's contributions picked up as provided under Section 414(h) (2) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and



WHEREAS the Western Michigan University employees who are members of the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System desire to become covered under the tax deferral provisions as amended and the United States Internal Revenue Code

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Michigan University Board of Trustees hereby elects to pick up Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System members' contributions as provided by the Internal Revenue Code, and that contributions picked up shall be remitted directly by Western Michigan University to the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System. Further contributions remitted are designated as employer contributions for purposes of the Retirement System which are being paid by Western Michigan University in lieu of the employee contribution requirements and the employees will not be given the option to receive the contributed amounts directly instead of having them paid to the pension plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be filed with the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System and the Western Michigan University Payroll Officer for purposes of implementing this action.

Recommendation re Naming of University Health Center. On a motion by Trustee Williams, supported by Trustee Waszkiewicz, the Board of Trustees formally approved the naming of the Health Center, the Gordon and Elizabeth Sindecuse Health Center, as presented by President Haenicke. This action honors Dr. and Mrs. Sindecuse for their \$1 million gift to the University, representing the largest unrestricted cash gift ever made to the Endowment Fund of the WMU Foundation.

Board Committee Report.

Budget and Finance Committee - Trustee Ludlow indicated that in addition to items already covered, the committee had received an update on the telecommunications project and the construction of the service facility warehouse and airport hangar.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee - Trustee Williams reported that the agenda items the committee had reviewed had been acted on during the Board meeting.

Orientation Report. Ray Passkiewicz, Director of Orientation, and Sibley Kirchgessner, a junior student from Ada and an orientation leader, spoke on their program developed to assist students and parents in making the transition to University life.

WMU Academic Programs in Grand Rapids. Dr. Richard Burke, Dean, Division of Continuing Education, reviewed Western's commitment to academic programs in Grand Rapids, including the development of an extension department in 1905, the offering of classes in Grand Rapids since 1916, and the establishment of a regional center in Grand Rapids in 1965. He pointed to Western's master of business administration degree programs offered in Grand Rapids since 1964 and engineering and engineering technology programs since 1973. Dean Burke indicated that Western now offers 22 program areas in Grand Rapids with total enrollments of more than 3,100 students in 1985-86. He also reported on Western's membership in CCABI (College Consortium Assisting Business

and Industry), a group made up of Aquinas College, Calvin College, Ferris State College, Grand Rapids Junior College, Grand Valley State College, and the Kendall School of Design, and Western.

Public Comments. There were no requests to address the Board.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chauncey J. Brinn  
Secretary  
Board of Trustees

NOTE: Following the meeting, the Board and the President hosted a luncheon for a group of Grand Rapids alumni and special guests, Trustee Emeritus Julius Franks, Jr., Trustee Emeritus Mildred Johnson and Mr. Conrad Johnson, and Trustee Emeritus Philip Watterson and Mrs. Virginia Watterson.

Attachment: President's Remarks

REMARKS BY PRESIDENT DIETHER H. HAENICKE  
Western Michigan University  
Board of Trustees  
September 19, 1986

Western's total enrollment for the fall semester is 21,500 students, up 479 students from last fall's total. This is the largest enrollment at Western since 1981 when the total was 21,999 students.

This fall's figure includes an on-campus enrollment of 19,200 and a projected enrollment of 2,250 off-campus students. On-campus enrollment is up 2.6 percent over last fall.

Of the 479-student increase, 234 are returning students in excess of retention projects based on recent attrition rates. Another 123 are transfer students and 122 are graduate students. This fall's class of beginning freshmen totals 2,536, about the same as last year. On-campus graduate enrollment at Western this fall is 3,577 students, up from last fall's total of 3,455 students and 18.7 percent of Western's total on-campus enrollment. If statewide trends continue, Western again will rank third in the percentage of graduate enrollment to total enrollment among the state's public colleges and universities, after the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and Wayne State University.

Efforts at undergraduate retention, now in their third full year, include special emphases on the first semester, on the freshman year and on "connections"--making sure that students get "connected" with a variety of sources of support, both academic and social. Efforts by each college and department are coordinated by the University Retention Policy Committee.

Residency-hall occupancy also is up at WMU, where 5,752 students are living on campus this fall compared with 5,666 a year ago, representing 99 percent of capacity.

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Under the leadership of Dr. Jay Easwaran, professor of mechanical engineering, WMU students have produced the world's first five-horsepower "plastic engine." For the past two years, they have been experimenting with a high-performance plastic to build small engines.

The engine is called an air-cooled, two-cycle engine. This type of engine is commonly used to power lawnmowers, snowblowers, chainsaws, small power generators and quite a few appliances. However, he can see the day when automobiles and airplanes may very well have plastic engines, or at least a majority of plastic parts.

In 1984, the Amoco Chemicals Co. of Chicago began donating Torlon stock to WMU's Department of Mechanical Engineering. The company asked students and faculty members to develop uses for this sturdy, heat-resistant plastic. Each semester, students must design, fabricate and test the various Torlon parts for their senior design projects.

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The Southwest Michigan Groundwater Survey and Monitoring Program, based at Western, is prominently featured as a model for several key recommendations in a new study by the Michigan Department of Management and Budget (DMB).

The report, titled "A Statewide Groundwater Data Base Strategy," presents a plan for developing computer-based systems to improve state and local groundwater management. It envisions a micro-computer network interfaced to a statewide consolidated data base and linked to various other computer systems at state agencies, the Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Geological Survey and Michigan universities.

The program at WMU is developing computer-based geologic and groundwater quality data bases under a \$418,571 grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The system provides, for perhaps the first time, a comprehensive overview of the subsurface environment and the character of local groundwater. Dr. Donald J. Brown, associate professor of chemistry, is director of the survey project and of WMU's Science for Citizens Center.

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Willard A. Brown Jr., a Chicago real estate developer, and William U. Parfet, a Kalamazoo corporate executive, have been elected to one-year terms as president and vice president, respectively, of the Western Michigan University Foundation.

Elected as new directors were Richard G. Carlson, director of client services and development in the Chicago office of Touche Ross and Co.; Richard F. Chormann, president and chief operating officer of the First of America Bank Corp. in Kalamazoo; Timothy D. Russell, founder and president of Steelcon, Inc., Kalamazoo; and John C. Wattles, senior vice president and trust officer of Comerica Bank in Kalamazoo. Brown and Homer C. (Scrap) Cox III of Kalamazoo, general manager of the carton and container division of General Foods Corp. in Battle Creek, were re-elected to three-year terms on the board.

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The computer science-theory and analysis major in Western's Department of Computer Science has been accredited by the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board, Inc. (CSAB). The program is among 22 in the nation to receive accreditation by the organization, and is the only one in Michigan and its neighboring states.

This action is part of the CSAB's first series of accreditation reviews since the board was established in 1984 by the Association for Computing Machinery and the Computer Society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the two largest membership societies specializing in computing and computing-related areas. The CSAB grants accreditation to baccalaureate programs that meet or exceed minimum criteria for curricula, laboratory and computer resources, faculty, students and institutional support.

Dr. Donald Nelson is chairperson of the Department of Computer Science in the WMU College of Arts and Sciences.

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Western's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation has received a grant of \$280,000 over four years from the U.S. Department of Education to fund a training program for special education personnel who teach physical education to the handicapped children.

The grant will fund the Competency-Based Training Program offered through Western and coordinated by Dr. Billye A. Cheatum, WMU professor of health, physical education and recreation.

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Western's vocational teacher education program has been awarded a \$225,000 grant from the Michigan Board of Education to fund activities in the areas of health occupation, business and office and marketing education. WMU's vocational teacher education program is offered through the Department of Consumer Resources and Technology and is coordinated by Professor Jack T. Humbert.

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Dr. James B. Matthews, professor and dean of Western's College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, has been appointed by Gov. James J. Blanchard to the State Board of Professional Engineers. His appointment is subject to Senate confirmation.

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Curtis Curtis-Smith, professor of music, is a recipient of a 1986-87 American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) award. It is the 10th time Curtis-Smith, who has more than 80 compositions to his credit, has received the ASCAP award.

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Dr. Arnold Johnston, professor of English, recently was honored as one of three recipients of the Community Medal of Arts Award. He was cited for his acting and playwriting.

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Stuart Dybek, associate professor of English, is one of five Michigan artists chosen for outstanding achievement awards from the Arts Foundation of Michigan. He was honored recently in Detroit.

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Two support staff members have been certified as professional secretaries by Professional Secretaries International. They are Sally A. Veeder, administrative assistant in the Evaluation Center and secretary to Dr. George G. Mallinson; and Deborah K. Withee, executive secretary in The Graduate College. They passed the Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) exam. WMU now employs three persons with a CPS ranking. The third person is Helen M. Horn, administrative assistant in the Department of Engineering and Technology.

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Beth Anne Butters, a senior in education from Tecumseh, Mich., has won top honors for the secondary level in the national competition to select the outstanding student teachers. She was awarded \$2,500 by the sponsoring National Education Association and the Atlantic Richfield Corporation.

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All-American Kayla Skelly, who just concluded an outstanding cross country and track career at Western, has been awarded an NCAA post-graduate scholarship. A native of Midland, she will put the \$2,000 grant toward her studies in the School of Medicine at Wayne State University this fall.

Skelly also has been named to the GTE Corporation's Academic All-American At-Large First Team as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

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Marlene K. Spletzer, a graduate from Eau Claire, has been awarded a Fulbright grant and an assistantship to teach in Germany during the 1986-87 academic year. She will be teaching English, American studies and American literature to German high school students in Schleswig-holstein, the northernmost region of Germany which borders Denmark.

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When the national U.S. Precision Flight Team enters international competition in Finland next year, four of its six members will be products of Western Michigan University. Two current students and two graduates earned places on the team in a nationwide contest in De Queen, Arkansas, July 3-5.

Brooks T. Cone, a senior from Mason, placed first among the 38 competitors. He had placed second in the contest last year. Carolyn Pilaar, a 1969 graduate who now lives in Greenville, S.C., placed second. She flies as a co-pilot for American Eagle Airlines out of Lynchburg, VA., and runs a flight school. She had placed first a year ago.

Placing third was Thomas M. Ingersoll, a senior from Livonia. Rounding out the flight team by earning sixth place was Sanjay Kalani, a 1984 graduate who now lives in Canton, Michigan. Kalani currently works as a charter pilot for Wolverine Air out of Willow Run Airport in Detroit.

The group will compete against 15-20 teams from other countries in the Seventh World Precision Flying Championships in Finland in August 1987. Individuals in the national competition were rated in flight planning; precision navigation; and four types of precision landings. All four persons have majored in the professional pilot program in the WMU Department of Engineering Technology.

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More than 1,200 high school and community college students and members of their families are expected to participate in Brown and Gold Day activities tomorrow on campus. The annual event is the largest on-campus recruitment program sponsored by Western's Office of Admissions.

Brown and Gold Day activities include an academic open house, campus tours, workshops on financial aid, scholarships and "hot" careers for the future, an Honors College presentation and the WMU vs. Long Beach State football game.

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Today and tomorrow marks the conclusion of Hispanic Awareness Week activities on our campus.

John Quinones, ABC news correspondent based in Miami, will be the featured speaker today. Other activities during the week have included an art exhibit, fashion show and music festival.

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Members of Western's 1966 Mid-American Conference co-championship football team will hold a 20-year reunion today and tomorrow on campus. Those Broncos were coached by Bill Doolittle.

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Former Michigan governors G. Mennen Williams and George Romney will be featured in the "Governors' Forum" Tuesday, September 30, here on campus in the Fetzer Center.

Williams, who is currently chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, will speak at 11 a.m. on "Reflections on the Office of the Michigan Governor, Yesterday and Today." Romney will address "A Michigan First: A Governor Recollects" at 2 p.m.

The forum is sponsored by WMU's Institute of Government and Politics.

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