Five finalists selected for president

As announced in the March 20 special edition of Western News, five finalists for the presidency of the University have been recommended to the Board of Trustees from among about 60 candidates for the position.

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The board must by law wait at least 30 days before ap-

pointing a presi-

doctoral and

dent, which would enable the board to

make an appointment at its next meeting

April 24. This would permit the selection

process to be completed by the end of the

winter semester, as the board had intended.

The latest information on the search is

available by telephone at 7-4004 and on

the World Wide Web at www.wmich.edu/

The five unranked finalists recom-

mended by the Presidential Search Advi-

sory Committee and accepted by the board

March 20 are:

• Donald L. Beggs, chancellor at South-

• Elaine Brownell, provost and vice

president for academic affairs at the Uni-

versity of North Texas;

• Eloise Floyd, executive vice chancellor

at the University of North Carolina at

Chapel Hill;

• Jay Noren, professor of health manage-

ment and former vice chancellor for

health sciences at the University of Wis-

cconsin at Madison; and

• Diether Zsinner, chancellor at the

University of Kentucky at Lexington.

Each finalist will come to the campus

and be interviewed in a public session of

the Board of Trust-

ees. Each finalist also will make a

public presentation. The schedules of

these visits will be

announced as soon

as they are deter-
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ized.

President Haenicke will present his fi-
nal "State of the University" address at 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 31 at the University's 18th annual Academic Convocation in the Dalton Center Recital Hall.

The event, which is open to the public,
is intended to recognize and celebrate aca-
demic achievement and excellence at

University. It is sponsored by the Office

of the Provost and Vice President for Aca-

demic Affairs. Haenicke has announced

his plans to retire from the presidency and

return to the faculty on July 31.

Timothy Light, provost and vice presi-
dent for academic affairs, will give the

welcome at the convocation. Alumni

Teaching Excellence Awards will be pre-

sented by M. Jamie Jeremy, executive di-

ector of the Alumni Association.

The Board of Trustees has named the University's new Science Research Pavil-
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ion Diether H. Haenicke Hall, recognizing

the "exceptional leadership" of the Uni-

versity's fifth president.

The pavilion has come to symbolize the

University's commitment to research while

remaining an undergraduate teaching in-

stitution of the highest quality, two goals

that Haenicke has espoused since he came

to WMU in 1985.

The board took its action "in honor and

appreciation of President Haenicke's many

contributions to the life and work of the

University," it said in a resolution. Haenicke

announced last summer that he would re-
tire from the presidency July 31 after 13

years to return to the faculty.

The board March 20 also approved

granting Haenicke an honorary doctor of

humane letters degree at the University's

June 27 commencement. In addition, it

gave him the title of president emeritus upon his retirement as president and

granted him a one-year sabbatical, after which he will return to the faculty in

fall 1999 as a Distinguished University

Professor.

In naming the building, the Board of

Trustees cited Haenicke's commitment to

fund raising, bringing in WMU's "millions of

dollars in private funds for endowments,

scholarships, facilities and other worthy

endeavors." It also pointed to his "dedica-

tion to the academic enterprise" as

expressed in such facilities as the Science

Research Pavilion.

The pavilion, located on the west edge

of the University's West Campus, is part of

a $44.4 million project to provide new and

renovated facilities for the sciences at

WMU. It will house state-of-the-art re-

search laboratories and equipment.

The building will be completed next year.

State funding should recognize com-

plexity, not just enrollment, Haenicke tells

trustees

State funding for higher education is

being driven entirely by enrollment with-

out recognition of the variety and com-

plexity that exist among the state's public

universities, President Haenicke told the

Board of Trustees March 20.

"It is always the lowest funding level

that is being addressed," he said as he

reiterated his belief that the state should

recognize three funding levels and not just

one. He has said repeatedly that funding

should recognize research, doctoral and

master's institutions with different levels of

funding per student.

"We are now about $1,000 per student

above the lowest funding level," he said.

"Under this scenario, we will not see im-

proved funding until we sink to the lowest

level. The message this sends out is that

we should not build so much on quality but

on sheer quantity."

The state Senate Appropriations Com-

mittee has recommended a 3 percent in-

crease for WMU and several other univer-

sities while other institutions are pegged to

get increases ranging from 3.6 percent to

10 percent.

The increases recommended by the Sen-

ate Appropriations Committee are higher

than those across the state that the board

had projected to recommend to the board a tuition increase for higher education proposed in the


The full facts were tentatively to take up the matter this week. It then goes to the House of Representatives. The Legislature has set

June 12 as the deadline by which to complete

work on the governor's recommendation.

Thanks from President and Mrs. Haenicke

We don't know how to thank all the many students, staff and faculty colleagues who staged the "Salute to the Haenickes" in Miller Auditorium

March 16.

We were once again overwhelmed by the wealth of talent and energy present on our campus, and we are deeply grateful to all who performed at the event, who worked behind the scenes and who planned this

magnificent farewell for us.

We are grateful as well to all who came to share this special evening with us. We were truly touched and will always remember your kindness.

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Early numbers point to record enrollments for this fall

If current trends continue, the University could have its largest freshman class ever this fall.

"We have admitted nearly 8,600 students thus far for fall semester," said Dean John Fraire, admissions. "If this trend continues, and we have every reason to believe that it will, the class that enters this fall could be significantly larger than the class of 1998, our largest freshman class to date."

Making these numbers particularly impressive is the fact that the number of students who have already paid deposits for fall semester, noted Rich and A. Wright, vice president for academic affairs. "Our deposits have increased more than 27 percent at WMU and are more than 18 percent for beginning freshmen vs. the comparable period a year ago."

Wright noted, "Our freshmen enrollment is the 20 percent growth in transfer students and is among only 91 public universities in the nation that have been granted this status." Wright added that this, along with WMU's Delta Iota chapter, is the 50th anniversary of WMU's Delta Iota chapter.

Included in these admissions increases are some significant gains over previous years, Wright noted. "They are up 10 percent vs. last year as are some significant gains over previous years. Not only is this likely to be one of the most competitive years in WMU's history, but we feel these increases are particularly important from a competitive point of view."

"We feel this is the beginning of a very special year at WMU. One of WMU's largest entering classes, but it also will be one of its strongest, according to Wright."

Two WMU programs ranked among top in the country

Two graduate programs in the College of Health and Human Services have been named in the 1998 Best Graduate Schools by U.S. News & World Report magazine.

WMU's master's degree programs in occupational therapy and speech pathology are listed as 18th and 21st, respectively, among comparable programs in the country. Both programs are listed in the top 25 in those two categories.

Governing America is topic

Kalamazoo area residents will get an opportunity to share their views on how American schools are doing, what's in store for food retailers in the next year and Tuesday, March 30-31, in Kalamazoo. "Poverty, Race and Urban School Reform," recounts her involvement with the Children's Defense Fund. Anyon's 1997 book, "Ghetto Schooling: A Political Economy of Urban Education," examines the impact of the economic and political devastation of America's inner cities. The free public event will feature displays of public meetings convened by organizations around the nation to look at public policy issues in a constructive, non-partisan manner. The Kalamazoo Children's Defense Fund is the umbrella organization through which the idea of holding such forums was conceived.

Sundick to lead ethics talk

The role and responsibilities of expert witnesses will be explored in a two-part Webinar system that will be explored in a lecture Tuesday, March 31.

Sundick, chairperson of anthropology, will speak at 7:30 p.m. in 211 Bernhard Center. His topic will be "Ethics in Forensic Science: The Role of the Expert Witness."

Sundick has been involved in forensic science for more than 20 years. Using examples from forensic science, he will illustrate how the law sometimes allows the "expert" to act in something other than an ethical manner.

The free address is being sponsored by WMU's Center for the Study of Ethics in Society.

For more details on these events see the News page on the WMU Web at <www.wmich.edu/wmu/news>.
Tribute to Carol Haenicke planned

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during WMU’s home page on the World Wide Web. Select WMU News and then look for Calendar of Events. You can also directly to the calendar at <www.wmich.edu/wmu-news/events>.

Thursday, March 22
through April 17) Exhibition, handmade paper by Paul Robbert, art, Gallery II, Sangren Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Friday, March 23
Institute of Politics post-presentation discussion, “Difference as a Resource in Democratic Communication,” Iris Marion Young, the University of Pittsburgh, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 24
Student recital, Diana B. Nordlund, mezzo-soprano, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 5 p.m.

Sunday, March 25
Student recital, Vance Ochenski, percussion, Dalton Center Recital Hall, 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 3
*Management development program, "First Things First: From Time Management to Effective People," Fetzer Center, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; to register call 7-3232.

First students initiated into Phi Beta Kappa
A total of 107 juniors and seniors and three doctoral students will become the first student members in course of WMU’s new charter of the Phi Beta Kappa organization. WMU’s chapter had the opportunity to further define the criteria.

The chapter’s selection committee only considered juniors, seniors and doctoral students with high grade point averages who were enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences. Weight was given to the breadth of the candidates’ program of study as well as to their knowledge of mathematics and a foreign language.

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