Barrett testifies before House Appropriations Committee

Engler’s vetoes could cost the University $2 million

The University faces nearly $2 million in budget cuts, John Engler, governor, and Provost Nancy S. Barrett informed the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The cuts, which are a result of Engler’s vetoes, are expected to have a significant impact on the University’s bottom line.

Barrett noted. The KCP Visiting Professors Program, seen as essential to the University’s diversity efforts, has brought WMU five permanent minority faculty members and two other appointments, which is regarded by administrators as “entirely manageable.”

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Proving that the ‘adverse effects that proposed budget cuts would have’ on WMU, Provost Nancy S. Barrett informed the House Appropriations Committee in Lansing Oct. 17 of the “adverse effects that proposed budget cuts would have” on WMU. Advances in the recognition that ‘state government did not receive any increase,’ Barrett said. “However, our higher education colleagues and I remain forcibly convinced that education must play a key role in the economic revitalization of our state economy.”

On Oct. 18, the Board of Trustees approved a $3.7 million fund operating budget of $124,385,700 for WMU for the current 1991-92 fiscal year that began July 1. These increases are an increase of $7,654,000 over what the University actually spent last year but does not reflect the latest round of cuts.

State appropriations are expected to increase by $2.9 million to $85 million and tuition income is expected to increase by $4.3 million to $54.1 million. The approved budget reflects a 1 percent permanent cut of $833,000 in state appropriations that occurred last year but not the $6.8 million that was withheld by the state earlier this year.

Expenses include a 2 percent internal budget reduction of $2.7 million, a 10 percent increase in student financial aid, a 9 percent increase in library acquisitions and a 3 percent increase in funds for supplies. The budget reflects a planned deficit of $129,000, which is regarded by administrators as “entirely manageable.”

WMU is the largest of seven public universities affected by the reduction in the state’s MPSERS contribution, Barrett said. All of the state’s 20 community colleges are affected.

Echoing an Oct. 11 letter from President Haniec to Engler, Barrett told lawmakers: “If WMU is required to completely fund the increased MPSERS retirement contribution for our employees, it would effectively reduce our institutional appropriation increase from 3 percent to 1 percent if recent vetoes were overridden by the state Legislature.”

Reading Recovery, which prepares teachers to deliver a highly effective remedial reading program, is seriously affected in Michigan, Barrett noted. The KCP Visiting Professors Program, seen as essential to the University’s diversity efforts, has brought WMU five permanent minority faculty members and two other appointments, which is regarded by administrators as “entirely manageable.”

The Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnic Relations, one of only two in the state, is unique in the nation. “We have become proactive rather than reactive to the projected changes in the state’s cultural, racial and ethnic population,” she said.

Area health care officials have affirmed the need for a bachelor’s degree in nursing, Barrett said, and local foundations already have provided more than $100,000 in planning funds.

“Since nursing education is costly,” she said, “the University must have additional funds to plan and implement this program. The state appropriations budget cuts if recent vetoes by Gov. John Engler are not overridden by the state Legislature.

Campus III Weekend College targets adult learners

The University has launched a weekend college that will offer courses at both graduate and undergraduate levels as well as free child care and free parking on campus beginning Oct. 12. The college, which is part of the University’s Continuing Education division, will open to students who already have bachelor’s degrees in economics, psychology, history, business or education.graduate and undergraduate degree programs, including those in education,

Barrett said. “Many people also want to take courses for personal fulfillment.”

New programs under consideration include applied managerial studies in the General University Studies Program, a master’s degree in liberal studies and clusters in liberal arts, in business and in engineering for students who already have bachelor’s degrees, she said.

Courses in education will lead to teacher and administrator certification as well as a master’s degree in education.

There is wide variety of courses being offered in the first two sessions, said Dean Geoffrey A. Smith, continuing education. “Courses range from an introduction to archaeology to family history, from the archaic to the civil war.”

Education courses, all at the graduate level, include those on human resources development and computer applications for administrators, he said.

Campus III students would pay regular tuition.

Haencke to give address at Academic Convocation

President Haniec will present the “State of the University” address Oct. 31, at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29, at the 12th annual Academic Convocation in the Dalton Center Recital Hall.

The event, which is open to the public, is intended to recognize and celebrate academic achievement and excellence at the University. It is sponsored by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Provost Nancy S. Barrett will give the welcome at the convocation. Alumni Teaching Excellence Awards will be presented by Patricia A. Laughton of DeWitt, president of the WMU Alumni Association, to Robert A. Mann, associate professor of theatre, Gerald Hardee, physics, and Harold L. Ray, health, physical education and recreation.

Distinguished Faculty Scholar Awards will be presented by Barrett to Kenneth A. Dahlberg, political science, and Thomas Lawson, chairperson of religion.

Training available on new electronic mail system

Persons interested in learning about a new IBM electronic mail/calendar system available at the University should sign up for a training session as soon as possible.

For the past several weeks, the administration and the University computing services has been providing training for OfficeVision. This full-featured system includes an extensive address book/directory; a calendar to manage and schedule individuals, groups and resources; and a powerful electronic mail system.

To acquire an OfficeVision mailbox, persons must enroll in a three-hour training session. The training as well as the use of the system is free.

Training is scheduled to end Friday, Nov. 15. To enroll in a session, contact Yolanda C. Mihalko at 7-3786.
ON CALL — Linda Reeser, social work, is among hundreds of people from the University community who donate their time to one of the 56 agencies supported by the Greater Kalamazoo United Way. She answers calls on the HELP-line at Gryphon Place, providing assistance and options to persons in distress.

With funding sources and projects that look worthwhile. "I hope that by including these items as part of this year's agenda, students will be less apprehensive about applying to Western's graduate programs," said Griselda Daniel, Graduate College. "Western's diversity under-graduate students make up a significant portion of the minority graduate students. However, with the added encouragement of the annual information day, it allows us the opportunity to recruit an even greater number of our own students."

Graduate College plans Diversity Information Day

The Graduate College will sponsor its fourth annual Graduate Information Day Oct. 30, in the Red Rooms of the Bernhard Center. The purpose of the event is to provide potential graduate students with information regarding graduate school and to provide minority graduate students with information for doctoral candidacy.

The meeting, which is open to all interested students, will provide answers to questions dealing with admission, financial aids, graduate examinations and departmental programs.

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Western Volunteers give hours, receive satisfaction

For Walter L. Worthy, research and sponsored programs, volunteering at a United Way agency was never a lifetime commitment with that association. Linda Reeser, social work, volunteers at another United Way agency to provide assistance and options to those in distress.

They are among hundreds of WMU community members who add donations of their time to the United Way. The 13 agencies that benefit from the Greater Kalamazoo United Way.

Worthy has been working on the board of directors for the Douglass Community Association, an organization that offered him a place to go and meet other teens when he was growing up on Kalamaazoo's north side. Reeser again, this time as a volunteer. She began working to establish a Little League organization that would provide crisis intervention, suicide prevention and resource assistance.

Both express a sense of duty that leads them to share their talents and skills in the community but, they say, volunteering has brought them immense satisfaction and real pride in their accomplishments.

Worthy spent many hours during his youth at the Douglass facility which he says, "was the only organized place on the north side for kids and adults to get together. In the '70s, Douglass was it.""Douglass was it."

Worthy was active in Douglass-sponsored sports and earned a college scholarship several years working in Lamping, he returned to Kalamaazoo in 1986 as a program offier in the United Way office. As Douglass supported Programs. His son, then eight, became involved in a Little League program supported by the association and that connection got Worthy involved with Douglass once again several years ago. As a volunteer he began working to establish a Little League organization that would provide crisis intervention, suicide prevention and resource assistance.

His involvement grew into his current role as member of the board of directors and officer on the board of the program committee. Using contacts and information that came his way, Worthy is able to connect the association with funding sources and projects that look for partners to help the agency further its education and community agencies.

"Douglass has been here for over the past 10 years," Worthy says. "Douglass has always been known for its youth programs, but now we have a large concentration of elderly persons who need attention." Worthy's social work degree was able to assist in creating an adult literacy and tutoring program at the association's Patterson Street center. It draws volunteers from University fraternities and sororities. The association also has helped efforts to help seniors enroll in tax preparation courses and get their shopping done, and has developed financial support for food and utility costs.

"We still have lots of opportunities for kids," he says, "but one of the things I like is the increased emphasis on activities for senior citizens.

Senior citizens and teens are among those who are served by Gryphon Place. In fact, just about every segment of the community can be affected by the association and that connection got Reeser involved with Gryphon Place once again, this time as a volunteer. She began working to establish a Little League organization that would provide crisis intervention, suicide prevention and resource assistance.

"I had heard positive things about the agency," she says. "I knew thatgf was somewhat removed from practice, I wanted the chance to apply my knowledge to the real world problems of individuals. I wanted to provide support and empower individuals in crisis. It brought me a lot of personal satisfaction and I've learned some skills that have added to the richness of my teaching.

The appointment of several persons to new academic positions were approved Oct. 22 by the Board of Trustees. Alan J. Hove斯塔d has been named acting dean of the College of Education, effective July 22, 1991. He has been professor and chairperson of the Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology since coming to WMU in 1985. He replaces Lloyd L. McKinney, who is serving as interim dean of the College of Education.

In a related move, the trustees approved the appointment of John S. Geisler as acting chairperson of the Department of Counseling Education and Counseling Psychology, effective July 22, 1991, to replace Hovestad.

Geisler has been a WMU faculty member since 1976. The board also approved the appointment of seven persons to new academic positions: Richard G. Cooper in occupational therapy, effective Sept. 1, 1991; Carol Payne Smith in senior citizenship, effective Aug. 19, 1991; and Dennis Simpson, former interim director of the School of Community Health Services, effective Sept. 29, 1991.

The trustees also approved the previously announced appointments of Timothe Light, former president of Midumberland College, as a distinguished visiting professor in the College of Education and Professional Development, effective Aug. 19, 1991, and was also approved by the board. In addition, the trustees approved a promotion for Carol L. Stamm from associate professor to professor of manage-
Expert on child development and blindness to speak as part of visiting scholars program

David H. Warren, professor of psychology and director of the honors program at the University of Michigan, will present a lecture Thursday, Oct. 31, as part of the Visual/Articulate Scholars Program. The lecture will detail the research done with spatial orientation and indicate future research for such issues as electronic mobility aids.

An eminent scholar and expert on child development and thought perception in blind children, Warren has been a faculty member at U-M since 1969. His research has produced scores of publications, contributions to 14 books and hundreds of articles.

He wrote the foreword to a book titled "Blindness and Early Childhood Development." He is also the co-author of the book, "Electronic Spatial Sensing for the Blind."

Warren has won many awards for his research, including the 1991 Blindsight Award presented by the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired. In 1986, he has served as an ad hoc member of the editorial board of the Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness. He is also a member of the editorial board of the Journal of the Multidisciplined Person and of Exceptionality.

His lectures are being coordinated by the Department of Blind Rehabilitation and the Department of Special Education.

On Campus

CUTLINE (BY CM): - Before he began working in the University libraries as a student some 12 years ago, John L. Northrop says he was terrified of computers. "I took a lower level computer science course and dropped it after two weeks," he says. Now he spends most of his time in front of a terminal, keeping track of the paper copies of the 21,000 new volumes the libraries receive each year. A library assistant responsible for cataloging and acquring area, Northrop has been a full-time WMU employee for 10 years. He says he's overcome his computerphobia "through some on-the-job training. He uses the computer to code information about the volumes, such as cross-references by subject and author, so that the records are more accessible by the library staff. He says he loves being in the renovated Waldo Library, and he enjoys his fellow employees. "I work with a lot of great people," he says. "Five of six years I've been here have been great, it's a real family atmosphere. We also have an excellent student support staff." In his "spare" time, Northrop enjoys tennis, other sports such as running and aerobics. He's involved in Zest for Life and has participated in the Corporate Olympics. He recently began helping to create a driver's mobile disc jockey service that takes him around the state for weddings, anniversaries and graduation parties.

Tuition stabilization tops the list for PRKs, power plant leads capital outlay requests

Holding down the rate of future tuition increases was the prominent issue discussed under the new state funds for fiscal year 1992-93. The Board of Trustees approved Oct. 18 by the Board of Trustees.

The request, for $3.6 million, goes with five others to the Michigan Department of Management and Budget for consideration and possible action by the state legislature. If approved, the funds would be in addition to the University's regular appropriation.

This added funding for tuition stabilization would eliminate a projected near-term budget shortfall-without markedly increasing tuition," said Robert M. Bean, vice president for business and finance. "The request, under five request revision requests or PRs, and their amounts for additional state funds, go with $1.3 million; minority financial aid, $3.5 million; school curriculum, $2 million; strengthen-education at $1 million; and instructional equipment, $3 million. The total for new revenues was $1.6 million, represent special needs of the University that are sometimes met through the PRK process, Bean said.

In related action, the Board of Trustees also approved capital outlay budget requests totaling $17.7 million for fiscal year 1992-93. The Board approved the Administration and Department of Management and Budget in Lansing, starting with a $3.4 million request for an $8.8 million project to renovate the University's power plant by 1993.

The other projects, with their total cost and year of completion, are:

- $200,000 for $73 million, 1994; for administration with matching, $5 million, 1995, 1996; plan for conducting, $1.1 million, (5.4 million, 1994); air conditioning, $1.1 million, 1995; and general replacement, $2 million ($12.1 million, 1997). Request for lump-sum allocations for maximum, $250,000; minimum, $1.1 million, 1992; health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993). McCracken Hall heating, ventilation and air conditioning renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1992); health and human services facility, $250,000; construction, $1.1 million; and general replacement, $500,000 ($251,400, 1993); and lecture halls renovation, $500,000 ($400,000, 1993).
**October**

**24 (thru 26)** Homecoming Week.

**25 (thru 27)** Dance showing, Orchesis Dance Society, Dance Studio B, Dalton Center, noon.

**26** Jazz dance master to perform and lecture during residency here Oct. 30-Nov. 1.

**27** Graduation Information Day, Reading Room, Alumni Center, 3-5 p.m.

**November**

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**7** Graduation Information Day, Reading Room, Alumni Center, 3-5 p.m.

**15** Graduation Information Day, Reading Room, Alumni Center, 3-5 p.m.

**22** Graduation Information Day, Reading Room, Alumni Center, 3-5 p.m.

**29** Graduation Information Day, Reading Room, Alumni Center, 3-5 p.m.

**December**

**1-13** Christmas break.

**14** Return to classes.

**15** Graduation Information Day, Reading Room, Alumni Center, 3-5 p.m.

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