Grants to the University have hit record levels for the fifth consecutive year, according to reports presented to the Board of Trustees at its July 27 meeting.

For the first time in its history, external support for University research and sponsored programs surpassed the annual $10 million mark. The total of grants received for the 1989-90 fiscal year was $10,004,640, surpassing last year’s record by $980,956 or 11 percent. That figure is more than three times the amount received during June 1989. The gift total for the year was $5,667,846, nearly the same as last year’s total of $5,677,275.

The 1989-90 grant total was achieved with the help of a very successful final month of activity. Grants received by the University during June totaled $2,314,716, an increase of 44 percent over last June’s activity.

The 1989-90 grant total represents the fifth consecutive year of record growth in external support for University projects. Since the end of the 1984-85 fiscal year, such support has increased by an average of $1.2 million per year. During the past three years, the University has received more than $27 million in external support.

Donald L. Thompson, vice president for research, said the continued growth in external support has increased by an average of $1.2 million per year. During the past three years, the University has received more than $27 million in external support.

The Board of Trustees July 27 approved a 1990-91 general fund operating budget of $134,065,000. The budget is based on a 6.5 percent increase in tuition and required fees over last year, and a 4 percent increase in tuition over last year through natural attrition, Haenicke said. The projected expenditures include $134,065,000, which will be made up during the course of the year through natural attrition, Haenicke said. Haenicke renewed his pledge of employment security, saying that no personnel would be released because of financial necessity. However, he said the administration would exercise "position control," which includes reviewing any position that becomes vacant.

Haenicke told the Board that legislative sources in both political parties have said that budget cuts can be expected after the fall elections, adding to uncertainty in the budget process. The projected expenditures include $302,000 in student financial aid, up 6.5 percent over last year, the same percentage increase as tuition. It is the standard practice for the University to increase financial aid by the same percentage that tuition is increased.

In other action, the Board authorized the administration to enter into a five-year lease agreement with the Capital Area United Way in Livonia for the University’s regional center there. The center will be moving from 309 N. Washington Square to the United Way Service Center at 300 N. Washington Square.

The Board also authorized the administration to enter into a two-year lease agreement with the Douglass Community Association, Inc., for the Development Center for Developmentally Disabled Adults. The center has a contract with the Kalamazoo County Department of Social Services to provide vocational and training to developmentally disabled adults in the county.

And the Board authorized the administration to enter into an easement agreement with the Association of the Diocesan of Western Michigan to provide access to St. Aidan’s Chapel on campus.

Several academic appointments OK’d by Board

Several academic personnel changes were approved by the Board of Trustees at its June 29 meeting.

Among those was the previously announced appointment of Douglas P. Ferraro as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Ferraro, whose appointment with tenure and in the Department of Psychology was effective July 15, 1990, has been professor of psychology and director of the Center for Personhood and Personal Development, effective Aug. 20, 1990, also was approved by the Board. In addition, the Board approved a sabbatical leave for Gallegos for the 1990-91 academic year to research assist in the development of international evaluation and consulting activities for the Evaluation Center.

McKinney has been associate dean for graduate programs, research and planning in the College of Education since 1989.

The Board also approved the appointment of four department chairpersons and one school director. They are:

- Arnon D. Miller as chairperson of the Department of Paper and Printing Science and Engineering, effective July 1, 1990. A faculty member since 1963, Miller has served as interim chairperson of the department since 1988. He replaces Richard B. Valley, who has retired.

- John M. Hanley as chairperson of the Department of Psychopathology, effective July 15, 1990. He replaces Arnold M. Gallegos, dean of that college since 1984, whose return to the faculty as professor with tenure in the Department of Education and Professional Development, effective Aug. 20, 1990, also was approved by the Board.

- Robert L. Pence as interim dean of the College of Education since 1989. He replaces Richard B. Valley, who has retired. Pence has been professor of psychology and director of the Center for Social Work, effective July 26, 1990. His appointment includes being named a professor with tenure in the School of Social Work. Since 1986, he has been associate director and professor in the School of Social Work at Salem State College in Massachusetts. He replaces Philip R. Kramer, who resigned to return to teaching.

- Thomas F. Piatkowski as chairperson of the Department of Electrical Engineering, effective Aug. 1, 1990. He comes to WMU from the State University of New York at Binghamton, where he has been a professor of computer science since 1985. He served as chairperson of the department from 1985 to 1988. His position at WMU includes a joint appointment as professor of electrical engineering and computer science with tenure in the Electrical Engineering Department. He replaces Cassius A. Resselberth, who is retiring.

- Eugene W. Thompson as chairperson of the Department of Educational Leadership, effective July 1, 1990. His appointment includes being named an associate professor with tenure in the Department of Education and Professional Development. He comes to WMU from the Bowling Green State University, where he has served as chairperson of the Department of Educational Leadership since 1985. He replaces John W. Dobbs, who has been serving as interim chairperson of the department since 1989.

The trustees also approved the appointment of Richard L. Hodges as interim chairperson of the Department of Accountancy, effective Aug. 6, 1990. A faculty member since 1985, he replaces William R. Welke, who resigned to return to teaching.

In addition, the Board approved the appointment of Dennis D. Pence as associate director of academic computing services on a full-time basis, effective Aug. 6, 1990. This new position results from a reorganization of activities in academic computing services. A former member of the departments of Economics and Statistics since 1984, Pence will be responsible for the Division of Research Computer Support Services within academic computing services.

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Board approves tuition increase for 1990-91

The Board of Trustees July 27 approved a 1990-91 tuition and required fees rate that amounts to a 6.5 percent increase over those same charges assessed last fall. The Board had tabled the matter the week of June 28 meeting to allow for public comment.

Here are the rates per credit hour for tuition, effective this fall. In the past, some fees were mixed with tuition rates and other fees were separately assessed. Now, all fees will be assessed separately.

The new enrollment fee of $288 for a full-time undergraduate student incorporates all of the required fees and includes the computer fee, health fee and facilities fee. It does not include a student government-encumbered social fee.

Upon recommendation by President Haenick, the trustees voted to delay the implementation of a new all sports pass fee. At the March 27 meeting, the fee was to be $15 per semester and $7.50 per session for full-time students and half those amounts for part-time students. Haenick said the Board wants to conduct further discussion with constituency groups. The delay will provide an opportunity to upgrade student recreational facilities, he said.

In other action July 27, the Board approved a recommendation to increase this fall to increase by $5 per credit hour the differential continuing education students pay for tuition. Since 1981, the continuing education tuition rate has been determined by adding $10 per credit hour to the on-campus resident upper division rate for undergraduates and the resident graduate rate for graduate students. The differential, which included a $2.75 per credit hour facility fee, was intended to pay for some of the additional expenses for off-campus education. Due to the construction of a new facility in Grand Rapids and relocation and renovation costs at regional centers in Benton Harbor and Lansing, as well as a property in higher education center in Muskegon, it is appropriate to increase this differential to $15 per credit hour," said Richard T. Burke, vice president for regional education and economic development.

Obituary

Robert S. Bowers, who served as chairperson of the Department of Economics from 1959 to 1974, died July 31 in Kalamazoo. He was 78.

Bowers was an economics faculty member from 1937 until he retired with emeritus status in 1978. His academic interests were in the study and teaching of labor problems and related areas.

He was appointed by the State Labor Mediation Board as a fact-finder from 1967 to 1970 and served as a state arbitrator from 1960 to 1970.

A memorial service is being planned. Persons may make contributions to the American Friends Service Committee, 1501 Cherry St., Philadelphia, PA 19102.

Two alumni join staff in Division of Minority Affairs

Bell, Lewis

Two new staff members have been appointed in the Division of Minority Affairs.

They are: Lenzy E. Bell as special projects coordinator and student organization liaison for the Division's retention unit, and D. Lewis as coordinator for the Martin Luther King Jr./Cesar Chavez/Rosa Parks College Visitation Program.

A native of Benton Harbor, Bell has been employed by the Consumers Power Co. in Kalamazoo since 1981, the year he received a bachelor's degree from WMU. He replaces Diana E. Hernandez, who now serves as assistant director for the King/Chavez/Parks Program.

Lewis is a native of Detroit. He has been a production manager for Manufacturers National Bank in Detroit since 1988, the year he graduated with a bachelor's degree from WMU.

He replaces Pedro J. Rosario, who now serves as a conference coordinator in the Office of Conferences and Institutes.

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The trustees also approved a return to the faculty for Mary L. Taylor, assistant dean of University libraries. She resumed her duties as assistant dean of University libraries with tenure, effective July 1, 1990.

In other action, the Board approved the joint appointments and changes in department home and status for Ralph C. Chandler effective April 20, 1990; Menahem Spiegel, finance, physical education and recreation, effective May 2, 1990; and Kim D. White, communication, effective April 28, 1990.

In addition, the Board accepted the previously announced resignation of Provost George C. S. Ivey, effective June 20, 1990. He will become president of the University of Montana.

The Board also accepted these other resignations: Ashraf M. Genaidy, industrial engineering, effective Aug. 5, 1990; V. Joy Griff-