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Low appropriation increase forces University to face \$1.4 million deficit

Saying he was "deeply disappointed" with WMU's 1989-90 appropriation from the state, President Haenicke July 28 recommended a 9 percent increase in tuition and fees for this fall to the Board of Trustees.

He also said he would be looking at other measures in the coming months to reduce a projected \$1.4 million deficit in WMU's 1989-90 general fund operating budget of nearly \$124 million.

"The situation is a very serious one," he said. "I have never spoken to the Board with greater concern and disappointment."

Earlier in the day, the Legislature had approved an appropriations bill that included a 4.5 percent increase for WMU. Officials had been anticipating a 5.25 percent increase.

WMU was lumped with five other schools that received the lowest percent increase of the 15 public state universities.

"Even with an increase of 5.25 percent, we had projected a deficit in our budget of nearly \$1 million," Haenicke said. "Now, with state support going up only 4.5 percent, we project a deficit of \$1.4 million."

While emphasizing that no layoffs will take place, Haenicke said that he will personally review any job vacancy that occurs at the University before it is filled as one means of addressing the projected deficit. He also said that WMU "would have to consider seriously a cap on enrollment" for next year, something not previously considered at the University.

"We have more students than we can adequately accommodate, given the current level of support from the state," Haenicke said, adding that "many classes are filled to capacity and our support staff is stressed to the limit."

"I have argued vigorously before both House and Senate committees that we want to keep access to the institution open, and I've been told by legislators that that is a commendable course of action," he said.

"But state support per student at Western actually has decreased as our enrollment has

grown in recent years," he said. "We cannot continue this course indefinitely without endangering the quality of education we offer."

Haenicke said he "deeply regretted" having to recommend the tuition and fee increase, which the Board approved.

Carol A. Waszkiewicz of Kalamazoo, chairperson of the Board, said, "We are working hard to provide an education at an affordable price and we are being penalized for that. The Legislature gave us a B minus when we are doing A work."

Haenicke said that the University has been responsive to requests by the state and has managed its resources responsibly, yet it is again faced with an increase that is insufficient.

"I think the state commits a serious mistake in not recognizing that the future welfare of the economic, social and cultural life of this state is terribly dependent on higher education," he said.

The tuition and fee increase brings the cost to a Michigan freshman taking 31 credit

hours over two semesters to \$2,195. That's an increase of \$180.25 over last year's total of \$2,014.75.

Haenicke said institutional funds for student financial aid also will be increased by 9 percent, indicating that it has been the University's practice to increase those funds at about the same rate as tuition and fees are increased.

Vander Ploeg appointed new director of telecommunications

Garry W. Vander Ploeg has been named WMU's new director of telecommunications.

His appointment, effective Sept. 5, was approved July 28 by the Board of Trustees. He will replace Alastair L. Omand, who resigned.

Vander Ploeg has been director of the telecommunications division for the state of Michigan since 1987. He was manager of planning, engineering and operations for the state from 1985 to 1987, and held several positions with GTE between 1970 and 1985.

"We're delighted not only with Garry's interest in the University, but also with his background, which includes both private industry and state government," said Robert M. Beam, vice president for business and finance. "He will bring valuable perspective to our needs in voice communication as well as data and video transmission."

The system Vander Ploeg has directed for the past two years includes more than 17,000 lines, Beam said. The University operates its own telecommunications system, which has more than 8,000 telephones as well as outputs for data and video.

Tuition forms available

The Department of Human Resources, Information Systems, wishes to alert regular, full-time staff to the fact that fall applications for dependent and spouse tuition remissions did not go out to all eligible employees. If you need a tuition remission card to submit with your dependent/spouse tuition bill, please call 7-3622 immediately. Bills are due for fall semester NOW!

University receives record \$9 million in grants

New research grants to the University played a major role in achieving the record-breaking \$9 million 1988-89 grant total reported to the Board of Trustees at its July 28 meeting.

By June 30, the end of the fiscal year, external grants to the University had reached \$9,013,684 — the highest external funding total in WMU's history. The new total represents a 12.5 percent increase over last year's record-setting \$8 million total.

Since the 1984-85 fiscal year, annual ex-

ternal grants have risen by more than \$5 million. Using the 1984-85 \$3.9 million total as a base, President Haenicke challenged faculty members in 1986 to double external funding to the University by the end of the 1990-91 academic year. That mission was accomplished last June — three years ahead of schedule. Since then, external funding has continued to grow.

Donald E. Thompson, vice president for research, told the Board that research grants — traditionally the most difficult to secure — increased by 42 percent to \$3.8 million this year and grants for new research alone have risen by more than 27 percent to \$1,725,987.

Funding for new public service projects also grew dramatically during the year, registering an 82 percent increase. Those projects, combined with many of the advances that result from research on campus, keep the University at the forefront of economic development in West Michigan, Thompson says.

He attributes this year's funding increase to two important developments: The size of individual research grants increased during the past year and more cross-discipline collaboration among WMU faculty members took place.

"Our faculty members are getting into stiffer grant competition and they're being successful," he says. "We're also seeing a growth in cross-discipline thinking and proposal writing. That's something we've worked on and we're seeing the results."

Increased numbers of faculty funding proposals and their high rate of acceptance also were instrumental in the continued increase in external funding, Thompson says. Funding was awarded to 63 percent of faculty members who submitted proposals this year, compared with 58 percent last year. Of all awards received in 1988-89, 15 percent went to first time awardees.

The Board also learned at its meeting that the University received more than \$6 million in gifts during the 1988-89 fiscal year.



CAFETERIA CONSTRUCTION — The public cafeteria in the Bernhard Center will have a new look by the end of this summer. Crews are renovating the dining room and serving line to provide a more pleasant atmosphere and more efficient service. The dining room work involves updated lighting and mechanical and electrical systems, as well as structural modifications. There will be a new color scheme, furnishings, floor coverings and window treatments. The serving line area will be enlarged and redesigned. One improvement will be to incorporate the current portable salad bar into the regular serving line.

Obituaries

A campus memorial service for Frederick P. Gault, psychology, is set for 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, in Kanley Chapel. A reception will follow in the President's Dining Room of the Bernhard Center.

Gault died July 26 at age 56 after a brief illness. He had been a member of the psychology faculty since 1968 and chaired the department from 1971 to 1977.

He was a member of the American Psychological Association, the Eastern Psychological Association, the New York State Academy of Science, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and Psi Chi. A member of the editorial board of Academic Psychology, he was a recognized referee for a number of journals and a reviewer of textbook manuscripts for several publishers.

Gault's research interests included neuropsychology, human sexuality, stress, drug interactions, Alzheimer's disease and the relationship between brain function and behavior.

Persons may make memorial contributions for a scholarship to the WMU Foundation.



Gault

Jack R. Meagher, emeritus in computer science and mathematics, died July 30 at age 76.

A 1949 WMU graduate, Meagher joined the mathematics faculty the same year. He was named the first director of the Academic Computer Center in 1962 and retired in 1983.

The founding president of the Kalamazoo Southwest Michigan chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery, Meagher was a member and president of the Downtown Kalamazoo Optimist Club.

He served on the first Kalamazoo Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council and was instrumental in establishing the Kalamazoo Alcohol Information Center, which became the Gateway Treatment Center. He also was on the board of directors of Friendship Village and and WMU Emeriti Council.

Memorial contributions may be made to the WMU Foundation for the Emeriti Medalion Scholarship.

Robert S. Petersen, who retired from the maintenance services area of the physical plant this past December, died Aug. 2 at age 62.

A WMU employee for 15 years, he spent most of that time as a painter. His wife Louwina, who survives, also retired from the University in December.

Petersen was a member of the Plainwell Wesleyan Church, to which memorial contributions may be made.



Meagher

Media

Three faculty members will be guests in the coming weeks on "Focus," a five-minute radio interview produced by the Office of Public Information. "Focus" is scheduled to air on these Saturdays at 6:10 a.m. on WKPR-AM (1420) and at 5:45 p.m. on WKZO-AM (590) with the following speakers and topics: Phillip D. Adams, humanities and theatre, on the impact of Woodstock on American culture, Aug. 12; Sue A. Davidson, Office of Adult Learning Services, on non-traditional students, Aug. 19; and Mary A. Strubbe, education and professional development, on stress among middle school students, Aug. 26.

Jobs

The listing below is currently being posted by employment services in the Department of Human Resources. Interested fringe benefit eligible employees should submit a job opportunity transfer application or sign the appropriate bid sheet during the posting period.

S-01 and S-02 clerical positions are not required to be posted. Interested University employees may contact an employment services staff member for assistance in securing these positions.

(R) Curator Assistant, S-06, Archives, 89/90-059, 8/8-8/14/89.

(R) Secretary III, S-06, Continuing Education-Lansing Regional Center, 89/90-061, 8/8-8/14/89.

(R) Coordinator, Donor Relations, P-02, Development, 89/90-062, 8/8-8/14/89.

(N) Office Supervisor, Microcomputer Support Center, S-08, Academic Computer Center, 89/90-063, 8/8-8/14/89.

(N) Microcomputer Consultant Programmer (2 Positions), X-05, Academic Computer Center, 89/90-064, 8/8-8/14/89.

(R) Nurse-Nursing Station, P-04, Health Center, 89/90-065, 8/8-8/14/89.

(N) New

(R) Replacement

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Service

These faculty and staff members are recognized for five, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years of service to the University in August.

30 years — Richard D. Brewer, biological sciences; James E. Nadonly, political science; Barbara J. Renshouse, art; and Robert E. Sechler, mathematics and statistics.

25 years — Doralee N. DeRyke, Haworth College of Business; Arthur E. Falk, chairperson of philosophy; Dean Laurel A. Grotzinger, Graduate College; Nita H. Hardie, chairperson of general studies; Thomas Houser, chemistry; Richard Neschich, marketing; and Carol P. Smith, education and professional development.

20 years — James W. Armstrong, education and professional development; Sandra F. Blanchard, College of Engineering and Applied Sciences; Robert M. Brashear, education and professional development; David J. Cowden, educational leadership; Richard J. de Peaux, humanities and art; Paul J. Eienburg, mathematics and statistics; Arnold A. Gerstein, general studies; John D. Grace, geology; David Hargreave, general studies; Barbara S. Havira, history; Peter G. Renstrom, political science; Richard C. Schubert, mechanical engineering; Donald F. Sellin, special education; Robert L. Sundick, chairperson of anthropology; Joanne A. Ursprung, physics; Donna R. VanWestrienen, consumer resources and technology; Arthur T. White, mathematics and statistics; and Ronald J. Winter, campus recreational activities.

15 years — John W. Benson, languages and linguistics; David J. Blowers, physical plant-L/G maintenance; R. Claire Callan, chairperson of occupational therapy; Thomas A. Carey, management; Lowell E. Crow, associate dean of the Haworth College of Business; Thomas L. Deckard, engineering technology; Sue L. Eley, social work; David G. Houghton, political science; Jack T. Humbert, consumer resources and technology; Mark S. Liberacki, College of Arts and Sciences; Marilyn K. Mallott, psychology; Kenneth H. McCann, physical plant-B/E maintenance; Bruce Naftel, art; Peter G. Northouse, communication; James C. Petersen, sociology; Gertrude V. Peterson, telecommunications; Lloyd D. Siscoe, physical plant-B/E maintenance; Larry J. ten Harmel, English; and Rudy Ziehl, Science for Citizens Center.

10 years — Raymond E. Alie, management; Kuriakose K. Athappilly, business information systems; Jane Baas, dance; Kailash M. Bafna, chairperson of industrial engineering; Kathy B. Beaugard, intercollegiate athletics; Beverly A. Belson, ombudsman; Mary Ann Bowman, communication; Andrew A. Brogowicz, marketing; Dwayne E. Channell,

Calendar

AUGUST

Thursday/10

(thru Sept. 29) Exhibition of the 1989 University Photo Contest winning entries, 1240 Seibert Administration Building, weekdays, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

*Concert, "Take Six," Grammy award winning a cappella gospel singing group, Miller Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Friday/11

Open house sale of surplus items, HOI Building, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Meeting, Executive Board and Council of Representatives of the Administrative Professional Association, Red Room A, Bernhard Center, 10 a.m.

Monday/14

*(thru 18) Management and executive development seminar, "Train-the-Trainer," Edward E. Jones Jr., president, Management Training Consultants, Wakefield, R.I., Fetzer Center, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

*(thru 18) 11th annual Direct Instruction Conference, Dunbar Hall, all day.

Tuesday/15

Doctoral oral examination, "A Study of Personality Style and Intergenerational Attitudes on Parenting," David Russell, counseling psychology, Tate Center, 3210 Sangren Hall, 10 a.m.

Friday/18

Doctoral oral examination, "Perceptions and Evaluations of University Principal Preparation Programs by Michigan Public School Principals," Linda Berk Voit, educational leadership, Tate Center conference room, 3210 Sangren Hall, 1 p.m.

Monday/28

Ninth annual Bronco Bash, Miller Auditorium Plaza, 5-11 p.m.

Tuesday/29

Fall semester classes begin.

*Admission charged

mathematics and statistics; David P. Cowan, biological sciences; Ida M. Cutshaw, funds management; Mary L. Dawson, health, physical education and recreation; Hans J. Dykxhoorn, accountancy; Bassam E. Harik, economics; Raymond N. House, mechanical engineering; Maureen Lassiter, physical plant-B/E maintenance; Maureen G. Murphy, dance; Michael R. Payne, economics; Kathleen Sinning, accountancy; Frederick Sitkins, engineering technology; Richard J. Suddendorf, music; Daniel H. Swenson, business information systems; and Lindsey A. Thomas, dance.

Five years — Robert J. Aardema, engineering technology; Regina A. Botchway, Draper dining service; Judith A. Canaan, Waldo Library; Sheryl R. Chamberlain, psychology; Christopher S. Cho, mechanical engineering; Gerry W. Clarkson, geology; Alyce M. Dickinson, psychology; Philip J. Egan, English; Sami Esmail, electrical engineering; Dean Arnold M. Gallegos, education; Frank M. Gambino, marketing; John W. Gesink, electrical engineering; Lee K. Goodhew, music; Juan M. Herakovic, continuing education; Carol Hulscher, communication; Ruth E. Kavanaugh, international student services; Virginia L. Keen, mathematics and statistics; Edgar A. Kelley, educational leadership; Robyn C. Klingele, School of Public Affairs and Administration; Gail L. Landberg, continuing education; Andrew Lapekas, paper and printing science and engineering; Joseph R. Morris, counselor education and counseling psychology; Sharon P. Myers, psychology; David L. Nelson, occupational therapy; Richard O'Hearn, music; Dennis D. Pence, mathematics and statistics; Susan Ponchillia, blind rehabilitation and mobility; Kimberly A. Querrey, environmental health and safety; Joseph J. Root, electrical engineering; Alvin S. Rosenthal, physics; Iskender Sahin, mechanical engineering; Juno Smalley, residence hall facilities; Dennis J. Vanden Brink, mechanical engineering; and Jeanne Williams, chairperson of education and professional development.

Exchange

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FOR SALE — 1984 Nissan 200SX, anniversary edition. Red with grey interior, A/C, PS, PB, 5-speed transmission, AM-FM radio with power woofer and antenna, power windows, digital alarm clock. Call 7-4168 or 344-8322 (Julie) or 381-6250 (Nick). All serious offers considered.