

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

April 8, 1988

The Trustee Policy Committee and the Trustee Finance Committee meetings were held in the Lincoln Room of the Kellogg Center beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 8, 1988. The minutes of the committee meetings are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by President John DiBiaggio at 1:20 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Trustees present were: Malcolm G. Dade, Jr., Joel Ferguson, Dean Pridgeon, Barbara J. Sawyer, Kathy Wilbur, and Patrick J. Wilson.

Trustees absent: Lawrence D. Owen and Thomas Reed.

University officers present included: President DiBiaggio, Provost Scott, Senior Consultant Breslin, Secretary Davis, and Vice Presidents Cantlon, Dickinson, Kurz, Schonbein, Turner, and Wilkinson. There were no Faculty Liaison representatives present. Student Liaison representatives present were: Barker, Laginess, Robb, and Selke.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, unless otherwise noted.

1. On a motion by Mr. Dade, supported by Ms. Sawyer, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the proposed agenda.
2. On a motion by Ms. Wilbur, supported by Ms. Sawyer, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Board Minutes of the meeting of February 5, 1988.
3. The following individuals addressed the Board of Trustees.
 - A. Mr. Alan Furnas, of the Coalition Concerned About Weapons Research, expressed concern with the University's participation in the strategic defense initiative and requested a reexamination of the allowance of star wars research on the campus. Mr. Furnas requested that employees be given the opportunity and freedom to decide whether or not to participate in stars wars research and that respect be given to their feelings and convictions.
 - B. Mr. Carlos J. Caguiat, Vice President of the MSU Hispanic and American Indian Faculty and Staff Association, presented statistical data, in response to the 1986-87 Affirmative Action Report, regarding recruitment and retention of Hispanics in academic and nonacademic positions and as students at the University. Mr. Caguiat expressed the willingness of their group to work with the University in addressing the issues of Hispanics at Michigan State.

Ms. Deborah Galvan, Secretary of the MSU Hispanic and American Indian Faculty and Staff Association, commented on the progress and involvement of American Indian students and employees at the University and her concern of the need to increase their representation. Ms. Galvan expressed appreciation for the University's efforts towards the presence of Hispanics and American Indians and offered the assistance of their Association.

 - C. Mr. Gail Wm. Goetze, a Specialist in the Office of Programs for Handicapper Students, presented recommendations from University handicapper individuals and organizations regarding the 1986-87 Affirmative Action Report. Mr. Goetze requested serious consideration and assessment of their recommendations in order to make informed decisions regarding their implementation.

Mr. Dennis Martell, a graduate student in the Office of Programs for Handicapper Students, commented about the absence of certain information which was submitted for the 1986-87 Affirmative Action Report regarding handicapper students, faculty, and staff. Mr. Martell expressed concern that an oral report about handicapper students, faculty, and staff was omitted in the presentation of the Affirmative Action Report to the Trustee Policy Committee.