

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

February 1, 1991

The Trustee Finance Committee and the Trustee Policy Committee meetings were held in the Board Room of the Administration Building beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, February 1, 1991. 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 11:15 a.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Trustees present were: Dolores M. Cook, Joel Ferguson, Dean Pridgeon, Thomas H. Reed, Melanie Reinhold, Barbara J. Sawyer, John D. Shingleton, and Robert E. Weiss.

University officers present included: President DiBiaggio, Provost Scott, Secretary Davis; Vice Presidents Kurz, Meyer, Pierre, Turner, and Wilkinson. Faculty Liaison representatives present were: Professors Kanatzidis and Van Tassell. Student Liaison representatives present were: Martell, Schaper, Wilks, and Williams.

1. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Reed, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the proposed agenda.
2. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Reed, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Minutes of the November 30, 1990, Board meeting.
3. President DiBiaggio introduced the Peace Officer Legislation, Public Act 120, and reported this would be the first of two required public hearings. Historical background was provided by Vice President Roger Wilkinson, and Dr. Bruce Benson, Director of Public Safety, commented on the significance of the legislation. Mr. Timothy Griffith, a student member of the Residence Halls Association, reported the association's support.
4. The following individuals addressed the Board of Trustees on the subjects listed:
  - A. Messrs. Dennis Martell, Mike Squillace, Tom Rider, Fred Brown, Marcus Sevald, and Ms. Kimberly Sherman, student members of the Handicapper Advisory Committee, commented on handicapper concerns and unity.
  - B. Ms. Kirn W. Greymalkin, a student and member of the Council of Progressive Students (COPS) and Council of Racial and Ethnic Students (CORES), addressed the subjects of Block Tuition and the Office of Programs for Handicapper Students (OPHS) budget reductions.
  - C. Dr. James R. Anderson, Professor, Center for Integrated Studies in the Arts and Humanities, and 1962 alumnus, spoke of support and funding by the MSU Foundation.
  - D. Ms. Susan Lundy, student, with interpreter Ms. Patty Jankowski, commented on handicapper programs and services.
5. On a motion by Mr. Reed, supported by Mr. Pridgeon, a roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously for the Board to meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining and a personnel action.
6. The meeting of the Board of Trustees was reconvened by President DiBiaggio at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building.
7. The report of the President included the following:
  - A. Dr. DiBiaggio welcomed new Trustees Dee Cook, Melanie Reinhold, and Jack Shingleton to their first Board meeting. He also bid farewell to Trustee Emeritus Kathy Wilbur who accepted a State Government position as Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulation.
  - B. Students, faculty, staff, and other members of the University community were commended for their responses to the crisis in the Persian Gulf.
  - C. The North American Business and Technical Center of Himont Advanced Materials, the first occupant of the University Corporate Research Park, was dedicated during the past week. President DiBiaggio commented on the importance of a mutually productive relationship.

Public Hearing  
regarding Peace  
Officer Legislation  
Public Act 120

Public  
Participation

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- D. Although the University is grateful for recognition of the role of higher education in serving the State's citizens, we must be mindful of challenging budget decisions that are being made during these difficult economic times.
- E. Dr. DiBiaggio announced that beginning with Spring term 1991 registration, students will be able to enroll by using an experimental computer program which is significant progress towards totally computerized registration. Dr. Paul Hunt demonstrated the computer system.
- F. Distinguished Faculty Awards, the Teacher-Scholar Awards, and the Excellence In Teaching Awards will be presented at the annual MSU Awards Convocation on Tuesday, February 12. President DiBiaggio will present his sixth State of the University Address at this event as well.
8. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Pridgeon, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following personnel actions.
- A. Appointments
- 1) Calantone, Roger J., AY-Professor, Department of Marketing and Transportation Administration, \$83,000, with Tenure, effective January 1, 1991.
  - 2) Imig, David, AY-Associate Professor, Department of Family and Child Ecology, \$47,000, with Tenure, effective September 1, 1991.
  - 3) Imig, Gail L., AN-Professor, Department of Family and Child Ecology, \$120,000, with Tenure, effective July 1, 1991.
9. On a motion by Mr. Ferguson, supported by Mr. Weiss, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the Gift, Grant and Contract Report for the period November 3, 1990 through January 4, 1991, with a total value of \$25,833,962.73. A copy of the report is included with the Board Agenda in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.
10. Ms. Sawyer, Chairperson of the Trustee Finance Committee, presented the reports and recommendations of the Committee.
- A. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Reed, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the following Bid and Contract recommendations with a consent agenda format.
- 1) A contract in the amount of \$644,000 be awarded to Kares Construction Company of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$764,000 be established for the project entitled: Bryan, Butterfield, and Rather Halls - Replace Asbestos Plaster Ceilings.
  - 2) A contract in the amount of \$338,900 be awarded to Hatzel & Buehler, Inc., of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$429,000 be established for the project entitled: Case, Holden, Wilson, and Wonders Halls - Broadband Distribution System.
  - 3) A contract in the amount of \$148,635 be awarded to Thermico, Inc., of Livonia, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$200,000 be established for the project entitled: Hannah Administration Building - Asbestos Removal in Mechanical Rooms.
  - 4) A contract in the amount of \$4,223,950 be awarded to Environmental Elements Corporation of Baltimore, Maryland, for the project entitled: T. B. Simon Power Plant Unit 4 - Air Quality Control Fabric Filter; and, a contract in the amount of \$472,189 be awarded to Thermal-Dynamic Towers, Inc. of Lakewood, Colorado, for the project entitled: T. B. Simon Power Plant Unit 4 - Cooling Tower.
  - 5) A contract in the amount of \$138,100 (Base Bid: \$135,500 plus Alternate: \$2,600) be awarded to Norstar Construction, Inc., of Oakland, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$155,000 be established for the project entitled: Tollgate 4-H Education Center - Conference and Arts Building Lower Level.

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Personnel Actions

Appointments

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& Wonders HallsAsbestos Removal in  
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Cooling TowerTollgate 4H  
Education Center

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Rewire Union Bldg.

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6) A contract in the amount of \$65,900 be awarded to Hatzel & Buehler, Inc. of Lansing, Michigan, and that a budget in the amount of \$113,000 be established for the project entitled: Union Building - Rewire First and Second Floors.

B. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the inclusion in the University's retirement plan of the option allowing individuals to cash-out up to and including 100 percent of base retirement plan accumulations as permitted by the vendors, for Executive Management, Instructor Residents, 4-H Program Assistants, Expanded Nutrition Aids, nonunion and off-campus employees, Resident Advisors, Nurses, nonunion APs, confidential APs, employees in APSA, APA, Stage Hands (274), and FOP groups:

- 1) on or after retirement, termination or resignation, and
- 2) at or after attainment of age 55 years.

Approval of this plan change to be effective April 1, 1991, for current employees and that, at the same time, it also be applicable to those who have left the University prior to that date.

C. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Reed, THE BOARD VOTED to establish the Robert and Louise Russell Fund for Canine Health as a fund functioning as an endowment.

D. On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Pridgeon, THE BOARD VOTED to accept a gift from Dr. Richard U. and Irmgard M. Light through the Michigan State University Foundation of approximately 1,232 acres of land at Delton, Michigan, in Prairieville Township, Barry County.

Robert & Louise  
Russell Endowment  
Fund

Gift of Light  
Property

Trustee Policy  
Committee

11. Mr. Ferguson, Chairperson of the Trustee Policy Committee, presented the reports and recommendations of the Committee.

Proposed revised  
Emeritus title policy  
tabled

A. He reported that following discussion of the proposed revised policy regarding the emeritus title, a motion was approved by the Policy Committee to table the item.

Approval of Vice  
Provost for Computing  
Technology & Vice  
Provost for Univ.  
Outreach positions

B. On a motion by Mr. Ferguson, supported by Mr. Weiss, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the positions of Vice Provost for Computing and Technology and Vice Provost for University Outreach be established as Executive Management positions.

Annual Report of VP  
for Research & Graduate  
Studies

C. Dr. Percy Pierre reported on the organization and functions of the offices of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies.

Report on Admissions  
& Tuition Policy

D. Provost Scott presented a report on Admissions and Tuition Policy that included Enrollment at the University and Tuition Concepts.

Chairperson's  
Report

12. The report of the Chairperson and Trustees included the following:

A. Chairperson Reed announced the formation of Board Committees of the Whole and chairperson assignments as follows:

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| 1) Outreach and International Programs | - Dean Pridgeon    |
| 2) Student Affairs and Services        | - Jack Shingleton  |
| 3) Academic and Athletic Affairs       | - Robert E. Weiss  |
| 4) University Relations                | - Dee Cook         |
| 5) Lands and Facilities                | - Melanie Reinhold |

The 1991 Board meetings dates were reported by Mr. Reed with an additional date to be determined for a retreat.

Mr. Reed remarked of Trustee Emeritus Kathy Wilbur's expertise as a Board member and that he expected the official farewell to occur at the next Board meeting.

Trustees Comments

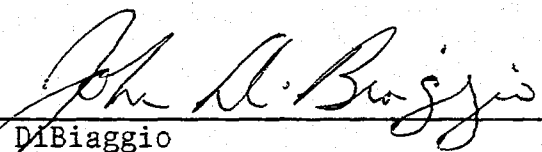
B. Ms. Sawyer's comments included compliments to Chairperson Reed for the Board committee structure; commendation to Provost Scott for the technique of the student enrollment presentation; and, as the MAGB representative, all Board members were encouraged to attend the upcoming MAGB awards convocation. In response to Trustee Sawyer's request for information regarding alleged budget reductions in Handicapper Services, Mr. Wilkinson provided a review of the University's budget process and commented on the high priority given to alterations and accommodations for handicappers.

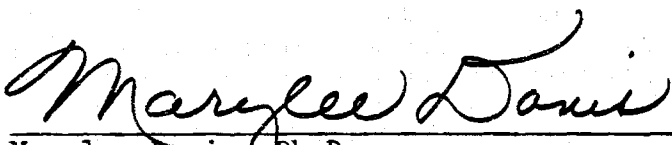
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- C. Trustees Weiss and Ferguson welcomed the new Board members and commented on the dedication and integrity of former Trustee Wilbur.
- D. As new Trustees, Ms. Cook and Mr. Shingleton commented.
- E. President DiBiaggio announced Dr. Ralph Smuckler, former Dean of International Studies and Programs and currently Special Consultant to the President for International Projects, has been named Executive Director of the newly created Center for University Cooperation and Development of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) in Washington, D. C.

Trustees Comments  
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13. The meeting was adjourned.

  
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John DiBiaggio  
President

  
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Marylee Davis, Ph.D.  
Secretary