

AGENDA
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, October 2, 1998

8:00 a.m. OLD MAIN 340, WWU

1. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - OM 340**

- a) State Accountability Standards (I)
- b) AS Bookstore Planning (I)
- c) Cold Beverage Implementation (I)
- d) Canyon Lake Creek Property

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting - OM 340

2. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- a) Approval of the Minutes of the August 7, 1998,
 Regular Meeting of the Board (A)

3. **REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

4. **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

- *a) Academic Presentation (I) Parks Hall 206
 College of Business and Economics, "Decision Maker"

5. **BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

- * a) Haggard hall Status Report (I)
- * b) Viking Union Renovation Update (I)
- * c) Draft Comprehensive Master Plan Update (I)
- * d) Housing & Dining Financial Statements (I)
- * e) Bookstore Financial Statements (I)

6. **STUDENT AFFAIRS**

- a) Preliminary Enrollment and Occupancy Data (I)

7. **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

- * a) Alumni, Legislative, and Development Report (I)

8. **FACULTY SENATE**

9. **ASSOCIATED STUDENT**

10. **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

a) Resolution #98-04 Welcoming New Board Member, Adrienne Thompson (A)

b) Amendments to the Board of Trustees **Rules of Operation**
(A)

c) Resolution #98-05 Joint Resolution of the City of Bellingham and Western Washington University (A)

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

12. Tour of Haggard Hall work site

*Written Report

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
OCTOBER 2, 1998

Call to Order

Chair Grace Yuan called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University to order at 8:05 a.m. in Old Main 340.

ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees

Charlie Earl, Secretary
Wayne Ehlers
Robert Helsell
Mary Swenson, Vice Chair
Adrienne Thompson
Grace Yuan, Chair

Western Washington University

Wendy Bohlke, Assistant Attorney General
Eileen Coughlin, Vice President for Student Affairs/
Dean of Academic Support Services
Al Froderberg, Vice President for External Affairs
Penny Glover, Assistant to the President/Secretary to
the Board
Karen W. Morse, President
Dennis Murphy, Interim Provost/Vice President for
Academic Affairs
George Pierce, Vice President for Business & Financial
Affairs
Leroy Plumlee, President, Faculty Senate
Sarah Steves, Associated Student Body President

1. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

a.) State Accountability Standards

Interim Provost Murphy introduced Dr. Carl Simpson, who gave an update on Western's 1997-1999 Accountability Plan. The 1997 Legislature created an accountability program that required all public colleges and universities to meet certain mandated accountability performance measures. The Legislature also withheld a portion of the operating budgets of public institutions pending completion of institutional accountability plans in 1997 and compliance with performance standards in 1998.

By November 1, Western and other public baccalaureates will report their performance on five accountability measures to the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB), which will then recommend to the Office of Financial Management the amount of money each institution can recapture from its operating budget set aside. It is unlikely that any institution will recapture all of its reserve.

Concurrent with the effort to complete performance reports, the public college and universities are preparing a joint recommendation to the HECB for changes to the accountability program. Conceptually, the institutions have agreed to recognize and reaffirm the importance of public accountability and to advocate a revised approach to accountability that provides fiscal incentives.

Results of the accountability report and the HECB review of proposed modifications will also be considered by the Legislature next session. Interest in the accountability program created two years ago remains high, and it is expected to command considerable attention as part of the 1999-2001 operating budget debate.

b) Associated Student Cooperative Bookstore Planning

Ms. Linda Beckman, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, discussed the Associated Students Cooperative Bookstore remodel plans and future issues.

c) Cold Beverage Implementation

Vice President Coughlin informed the Board that, through a competitive process, Bellingham's Walton Beverage, local distributor of Pepsi™ products - including soft drinks, juices, teas and bottled waters - has been selected as the sole supplier of cold beverages on Western's campus for the next ten years.

d) Canyon Lake Creek Property

The Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest Project brings together the compelling themes of conserving an 800-year-old forest and building community. Under this plan, Whatcom County and Western Washington University will own the forest jointly, with a restrictive conservation easement held by the Whatcom Land Trust. The conservation easement will permit supervised public access and environmental education and nondestructive scientific research. The easement will prohibit subdivision, commercial use and ecologically degrading activity. An endowment fund will be established to care for the Community Forest.

Public access will be provided through a community stewardship program with participants such as the Whatcom County Parks Department, the North Cascades Institute, Western's Parks and Recreation Program and the local chapter of the Mountaineers. Volunteer stewards will learn about forest ecology, geology and the history of the area, and will lead educational day trips to the old growth forest and surrounding watershed. A trail through the ancient forest will connect to the ridge above the watershed, which provides an uninterrupted view of Mt. Baker and the Twin Sisters.

Huxley College will coordinate scientific research and, working with a consortium of Whatcom County school districts, will also oversee environmental education activity. The Land Trust will review research and educational proposals for consistency with the conservation easement.

A copy of the conservation easement is attached. The Board will consider a resolution regarding the Canyon Lake Creek property during the afternoon meeting today.

2. CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION Mary Swenson moved that the Board of
10-1-98 of Trustees of Western Washington University, upon recommendation of the President, approve the minutes of the August 7, 1998 regular meeting of the Board.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Morse gave Board members a copy of her Fall 1998 State of the University Address delivered at the Fall Faculty Luncheon on September 17.

President Morse informed the Board that she has been invited to participate in the University Presidents' Mission to Israel, organized and co-sponsored by the State of Israel's Office of Academic Affairs in the U.S. and by the American-Israel Friendship League. This is the first mission of this kind and it will occur from October 31 to November 10, 1998.

4. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

a) College of Business and Economics Presentation

At 10:15 a.m. the Board visited the College of Business and Economics for an academic presentation on the Group Support System facility.

RECONVENE

At 11:45 a.m. the Board reconvened in OM 340 and continued with the regular agenda.

5. BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

a) Haggard Hall Status Report

The contractor is scheduled to reach final completion by November 14, 1998. The building is scheduled to be ready for student use Winter Quarter 1999.

ATTACHMENT

After Recording Return To: _____

Whatcom Land Trust
P.O. Box 6131
Bellingham, WA 98227

DOCUMENT TITLE: **CANYON LAKE CREEK COMMUNITY OLD GROWTH FOREST
CONSERVATION EASEMENT**

GRANTORS: _____

THE LAND TRUST: **WHATCOM LAND TRUST**

ABBR. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: _____

ASSESSOR'S TAX PARCEL NUMBERS: _____

**CANYON LAKE CREEK COMMUNITY OLD GROWTH FOREST CONSERVATION
EASEMENT**

I. PARTIES

This Grant of a Conservation Easement is made by Whatcom County and Western Washington University, referred to hereafter as Grantors, to Whatcom Land Trust, a Washington nonprofit corporation, referred to hereafter as the Land Trust.

II. FACTS AND OBJECTIVES

Grantors are owners of real property in Whatcom County, Washington, referred to hereafter as the Community Forest Property, the legal description of which are attached as Exhibit 1. Exhibit 2 is a map of the Community Forest Property.

The Land Trust is a publicly supported, nonprofit corporation organized to preserve the ecological, wildlife habitat, scenic, agricultural, recreational and open space value of land and to promote environmental education and research. It qualifies under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a tax-exempt nonprofit organization.

The Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest property consists of approximately 2,200 acres, located high in the north facing headwaters of the Canyon Lake watershed, east of Mosquito Lake Road in central Whatcom County. The Community Forest property includes the 45-acre Canyon Lake, 1,550 acres of second growth forest 20 to 45 years of age, and at the heart of the property, 600 acres of ancient and rare old growth forest. Numerous streams including Canyon Lake Creek and Toboggan Creek cross the property creating cascades and waterfalls of crystal clear water. The Community Forest supports several forested wetlands and hanging gardens plus a series of alpine heather meadow-wetland complexes near the southern ridgeline. Ranging in elevation from 2,400 feet to 4,600 feet, the Community Forest property is nurtured by abundant rain and fog providing ideal habitat for lichens, ferns, mosses, fungi and the myriad of northwest forest life forms. Spectacular views of Mt. Baker, the Twin Sisters and the lower Nooksack River basin are visible from atop the high ridges on the property boundary.

The core old growth forest stretching from the shore of Canyon Lake to the high ridgelines along the southern boundary of the property consists of ancient Alaska yellow cedar and mountain hemlock over 800 to 1000 years old and Pacific silver fir over 400 years old. This ancient forest exhibits the classical structural diversity and ecological complexity of natural forest stands in the Pacific Northwest. Forest experts believe this forest to be one of the oldest in the Pacific Northwest, due primarily to the north facing aspect of the drainage and the cool, high altitude climate of the site. Because of its exceptional antiquity, the old growth forest is a reservoir of natural history and a unique benchmark for measuring the ecological health of the entire region. The old growth forest offers unprecedented opportunities for scientific study of forest ecological process and biological communities, natural disturbance patterns, climate change history, and the relationships between managed and natural forests in the Pacific Northwest.

Surrounding the old growth forest core is a thick carpet of second growth trees regenerating after several timber harvests over the last 50 years. These healthy second growth forests consist of western hemlock, mountain hemlock, western red cedar, Alaska yellow cedar, red alder, black cottonwood, willows, Pacific silver fir and Douglas fir. A mainline gravel logging road traverses the length of the property, from the northwest side of Canyon Lake to the high ridgelines along the southeastern property boundary. Several old and abandoned logging roads access other portions of the property. One traditional camping and fishing access is located on the northern shore of Canyon Lake, and an unfinished cabin started by a local Boy Scout troop is located nearby on the southern edge of the lake.

The purpose of this Conservation Easement is to protect and preserve the old growth forest; to enhance the evolution of the second growth trees and manage the forest to maintain biological and structural diversity; to foster and protect the integrity of ecological systems,

natural biological processes and native habitats on the Community Forest Property; and to provide opportunities for public recreation, scientific research, and environmental education consistent with the above purposes.

III. GRANT OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT

Grantors hereby convey to the Land Trust, its successors and assigns, in perpetuity, a Conservation Easement pursuant to Revised Code of Washington RCW 84.34.210, over the Community Forest Property. The Conservation Easement consists of mutual rights and obligations and is subject to the reservation of rights set forth below. Rights, obligations and reservations all operate as covenants running with the land in perpetuity.

IV. PERMITTED USES, PRACTICES AND RIGHTS RESERVED BY GRANTORS

With regard to the Community Forest Property, Grantors reserve the following rights:

1. Provide public access and recreational use oriented to the natural amenities of the Community Forest Property, consistent with maintaining the ecological health of the forest and aquatic ecosystems and with the purposes of this Conservation Easement.
2. Conduct scientific research, consistent with maintaining the ecological health of the forest and aquatic ecosystems and with the purposes of this Conservation Easement, provided that scientific research in the old growth forest will be unintrusive and nondestructive.
3. Conduct environmental education programs, consistent with maintaining the ecological health of forest and aquatic ecosystems and the purposes of this Conservation Easement.
4. Build trails in the old growth and second growth forests using natural materials and design criteria that minimize damage to forest and aquatic ecosystems, provided that trails will be built according to a trail plan reviewed by Grantors and the Land Trust.
5. Maintain or convert to a trail the existing mainline road leading from the Lake to the ridge above the old growth forest.
6. Abandon and reestablish roads in the second growth forest.

7. Extract gravel for use on the property so long as such extraction can be carried out without significant damage to water quality, aquatic habitat or the purposes of this easement, and so long as extraction does not occur within 200 meters of the old growth forest.
8. Conduct forest management operations in the second growth forest provided (1) that these forest management operations are conducted in accordance with a long term, scientifically and ecologically based management plan that conforms to the goals of this conservation easement and is reviewed by the Grantors and the Land Trust, (2) that the operations enhance the succession of the second growth forest to a structurally complex and biologically diverse forest, (3) that aesthetic and environmental damages are short term and minimal, (4) that any proceeds from the forest management operations are used for the benefit of the Community Forest Property. Scientific research involving forest management operations must comply with the above requirements of this section.
9. Install interpretive signage that includes appropriate recognition of participants in acquiring the Community Forest Property.
10. Construct and maintain camping, interpretive, sanitary and parking facilities in the immediate vicinity of Canyon Lake.
11. Install gates and take other measures deemed necessary to protect the Community Forest Property.
12. Allow fishing and non-motorized boating on Canyon Lake.
13. Construct and maintain a caretaker facility in the immediate vicinity of Canyon Lake, provided that the facility shall not exceed 1000 square feet and will be built in a style and location consistent with maintaining the natural character of the area.
14. Remove safety hazards.
15. Remove selected limbs and trees in the second growth forest to maintain views, provided that the design, size and number of view opportunities minimizes disruption of the ecology and natural appearance of the forest.
16. Restore habitat.

17. Grant an easement and allow construction, maintenance and use of a gravel road across the Property northwest of Canyon Lake in order to conduct forest management practices on privately owned land south of Canyon Lake Creek.

V. RESTRICTIONS ON USE

Except as provided above in Section IV, and as may be necessary to carry out those rights reserved, the Grantors shall not on the Community Forest Property:

1. Cut or remove trees or other vegetation.
2. Build structures or improvements of any type.
3. Subdivide the property in any manner.
4. Explore for or extract minerals, hydrocarbons or other materials.
5. Allow hunting or trapping, except for nuisance animals that create a danger to property or human safety.
6. Materially alter the landscape or topography.
7. Construct facilities for hydro-electric generation.
8. Allow motorized recreational vehicles, except for campers that may be accommodated in the Canyon Lake camping area only.
9. Use the property inconsistent with the purposes of this Conservation Easement.

VI. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LAND TRUST.

Grantors grant and the Land Trust accepts the right and responsibility to preserve and protect in perpetuity the agricultural, aesthetic, habitat, historical and ecological values of the Community Forest Property consistent with the terms of this Easement. In connection with such rights and responsibilities:

1. Grantors grant to the Land Trust the right to enter the Community Forest Property, on reasonable notice, to observe and enforce compliance with the terms of this Conservation Easement.

2. Should Grantors, their successors or assigns, undertake any activity in violation of this Easement, the Land Trust shall have the right to recover damages or to compel the restoration of that portion of the Property affected by such activity to the condition that existed prior to the undertaking of such unauthorized activity. In such case, the damages or cost of restoration and the Land Trust's expenses and costs of suit, including attorneys' fees, shall be borne by Grantors or those of their successors or assigns against whom judgment is entered, or in the event that the Land Trust secures relief without a completed judicial proceeding, by Grantors or those of their successors or assigns who are otherwise determined to be responsible for the unauthorized activity.
3. Any forbearance by the Land Trust to exercise any rights under this Agreement in the event of a breach shall not be deemed to be a waiver of the Land Trust's rights under this Easement.

VII. BASELINE DATA.

In order to establish the present condition of the Community Forest Property's resources so as to be able to properly monitor future uses of the Property and assure compliance with the terms of this Agreement, the Land Trust shall, at its earliest possible convenience, prepare or cause to be prepared an inventory of the Property's relevant features and conditions, known as baseline data. The baseline data shall be used to establish the condition of the Property as of the date of this Easement.

VIII. GRANTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES.

Grantors agree to bear all costs of operation, upkeep and maintenance of the Property and to indemnify the Land Trust therefrom; in addition, Grantors agree to pay all real property taxes and assessments levied on the Property.

Prior to initiating any activity on the Community Forest Property that might affect the purposes of this Conservation Easement, Grantors will notify the Land Trust regarding that proposed activity as early as reasonably possible and in all cases at least 30 days before the commencement of the activity. If the activity requires development of a plan, proposal or funding request, Grantors will provide the Land Trust with a copy, or a draft, of the plan proposal or funding request at least 30 days before it is finalized or submitted to any entity for approval.

IX. ASSIGNMENT OF THE LAND TRUST'S INTERESTS.

The Land Trust may assign its interests in this Easement to a "qualified" organization within the meaning of Section 170(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, so long as that organization has a concern for ecological, educational and aesthetic considerations consistent with the terms of this Easement. Should the Land Trust cease to exist, this Easement would be assigned to such an organization.

X. GRANT IN PERPETUITY.

This Easement shall run with the Community Forest Property in perpetuity and shall bind the Grantors, their successors and assigns forever.

XI. PROPERTY INTEREST.

Grantors and the Land Trust agree that this Conservation Easement gives rise to a property right immediately vested in the Land Trust, which right has a fair market value that is at least equal to the proportionate value that the Conservation Easement bears to the value of the Community Forest Property as a whole, upon the date of the execution of the Easement.

If all the conservation purposes of this Easement become impossible to accomplish because of a change of circumstances, this Easement can be extinguished only by judicial proceedings, and on subsequent disposal of the Community Forest Property the Land Trust is entitled to a portion of the proceeds at least equal to the proportionate value of the conservation easement. The Land Trust must use the proceeds consistent with the conservation purposes of this easement. In the event of condemnation of the Community Forest Property in whole or in part, the Land Trust shall be entitled to compensation proportionate to the loss of conservation values caused by the condemnation.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS.

1. The terms Grantors and the Land Trust, wherever used in this Easement, shall include the above-named Grantors and their successors and assigns, and the above-named the Land Trust and its successors and assigns.
2. In the event that any of the provisions contained in this Easement are declared invalid or unenforceable in the future, all remaining provisions shall remain in effect.

- 3. Notice to the Land Trust shall be to the registered agent of the Land Trust, who until further notice shall be:
 - J. Bruce Smith
 - Brett & Daugert
 - 300 North Commercial
 - P.O. Box 5008
 - Bellingham, WA 98227-5008

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantors have executed this Conservation Easement this _____ day of _____, 19__.

GRANTORS:

THE LAND TRUST:

WHATCOM LAND TRUST

By: _____

Its: _____

By: _____

Its: _____

**CANYON LAKE CREEK COMMUNITY FOREST
JOINT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT**

1. The Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest will be jointly managed by Whatcom County and Western Washington University, in consultation with the Whatcom Land Trust. All management decisions will be consistent with the Conservation Easement on the Community Forest property held by the Whatcom Land Trust.
2. The intent of the parties to this agreement is to manage the 2300 acre Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest property to provide opportunities for public recreation, scientific research and environmental education in a manner that protects the natural processes and ecological integrity of the property and conforms to the conservation easement on the property. To this end, every plan or proposal for activity on the property will address the ecological impact of the plan or proposal and measures taken to limit that impact.
3. Management of the Community Forest property will be conducted by a Community Forest Management Committee composed of two representatives from Whatcom County, two representatives from Western Washington University, and two representatives from the Whatcom Land Trust. The purpose of the Management Committee is (1) to make decisions affecting the interests of more than one of the three entities represented on the Management Committee, (2) to undertake long-range planning, and (3) to keep the various parties informed as to plans and activities of the other parties. No party will undertake a plan or activity potentially affecting the interests of other parties without first consulting those other parties.
4. Whenever possible, Management Committee decisions will be made by consensus. If a consensus is not possible and a vote must be taken, the Land Trust will have only one vote, and that vote will be used only in the case of a tie.
5. The Management Committee will meet as often as necessary, but in any case, no less than twice a year.
6. Whatcom County has primary responsibility for public access and recreation on the Community Forest property. This includes planning and implementation of programs and facilities.

7. Western Washington University has primary responsibility for reviewing, approving and monitoring scientific research on the property.

8. Whatcom County and Western Washington University will jointly coordinate and facilitate environmental education opportunities on the property. Each may sponsor or conduct its own environmental education opportunities in consultation with the other.

9. The Whatcom Land Trust is primarily responsible to monitor compliance with the Conservation Easement on the Community Forest property.

10. Whatcom County and Western Washington University each have responsibility and liability for activities under its respective direction or sponsorship. Liability for activities under the direction or sponsorship of neither Whatcom County nor Western will be shared equally between them. Likewise, costs which benefit the property generally and are not directly associated with the activities of only one of these two parties will be shared by the parties equally, unless the parties can agree on an unequal sharing arrangement due to the greater benefits enjoyed from the activity by one of the parties.

11. The Management Committee will periodically report to the public regarding plans, programs and activities occurring or to occur on the Community Forest property.

To: Al Froderberg, Brad Smith, Jean Rahn
From: Rand Jack
Re: Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest

October 4, 1998

Now that we have commitments for funding the purchase of the Canyon Lake Creek property, I would like to propose an avenue for the University's participation in the financing the project (an avenue beyond the funding of scientific research).

I am currently trying to put together a stewardship/maintenance fund of \$250,000 to care for the property after it is acquired. A portion of this would be spent the first year on improvements necessary before the property can be opened for anyone's use - trails, toilet facility, signs, parking area, gate. The remainder of the fund would be an endowment for annual expenses.

I propose that the University, through the Western Foundation, commit to trying to raise the same amount (perhaps from the potential donor already contacted) for a dedicated fund from which the University would pay its share of general expenses related to the property. In effect, the money raised by the Land Trust would be used to pay the County's share of costs and the money raised by the Western, its share. This would have several advantages in addition to increasing the amount of money available to pay costs which benefit both University and County uses.

First, it would ease the sense on the part of some people in county government that they have paid into the project but the University has not. The university stewardship fund would help even things out and create a feeling of more equal partnership, an important ingredient for long term effective cooperation.

Second, I see participation of Western students in a number of aspects of this project besides scientific research - geology students creating a permanent exhibit of fossils collected on the site, aquatic studies students figuring out how to enhance fishing in the lake, parks and recreation students helping with the park plan, environmental education students planning interpretative signs, the journalism department designing ways to tell the community about activities in the Community Forest, all sorts of students doing voluntary work parties in their forest, and so on. If Western has a fund from which it can readily help pay for these activities, it will be much easier to ensure that the opportunities are available for her students without too fine a calculation as to what part of the benefits flow to the County and what part to the University.

Third, if inquires to me in the last couple of weeks are any indication, Western's students, faculty and staff will be frequent recreational users of the Community Forest. Trails, toilets and parking spaces will be used by those in pursuit of scientific knowledge, but also by many other university personnel. Though it will not have the same exclusivity as Lakewood, it will be correctly perceived by members of the Western community as their forest. This would seem to justify a dedicated fund at the Foundation giving fair latitude to help pay for benefits widely shared by people from the University.

b) Viking Union Addition and Remodel Status Report

LMN Architects have submitted design development phase documents and an estimate of probable project cost, which are currently under review. LMN will conduct the design development presentation to student, faculty and staff groups after review of project documents and cost estimates are complete, within the next few weeks.

The Viking Union project is scheduled to be completed for occupancy in January 2001.

d) Draft Comprehensive Master Plan Update

On September 8, 1998, the Bellingham City Council approved the University's Neighborhood Plan by a vote of 7-0. This approval followed 18 months of discussion and conversation with the University's neighbors, staff of the City of Bellingham, the City's Planning Commission, and the City Council. Although some modifications were made to the language of the document, its basic recommendations remain intact.

With this approval of the WWU Neighborhood Plan, the University and the City now begin the process of developing an Institutional Master Plan (IMP). This document will more clearly define the direction of the University, and will address City requirements regarding additional facilities. The president and the mayor jointly are in the process of appointing members to serve on an advisory committee to the University and the City to oversee development of the IMP. This group will be comprised of University faculty, staff and students, as well as neighbors from the three surrounding neighborhoods of Happy Valley, Sehome, and South Hill. The Happy Valley Neighborhood Plan will be developed concurrently with Western's Institutional Master Plan. The goal is to have both documents prepared at approximately the same time, thereby facilitating potential University development south of Bill McDonald Parkway.

Mr. Philip Sun, new Director of Facilities, Planning and Operations, will lead the staff effort in developing the IMP.

d) 1998 Housing and Dining System Financial Statements

Western has received the 1997-98 audit opinion of the Housing and Dining System financial statements from the CPA firm of Peterson Sullivan P.L.L.C. The System received an unqualified opinion indicating that the statements are in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles. There were no management findings or recommendations.

Total operating revenues were up by 3.7 percent while operating expenditures increased by 3.2 percent.

e) 1998 Associated Students' Cooperative Bookstore Financial Statements

Western has received the 1997-98 audit opinion of the Associated Students' Cooperative Bookstore financial statements from the CPA firm of Peterson Sullivan P.L.L.C. The Bookstore received an unqualified opinion indicating that the statements are in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles. There are no management findings or recommendations.

6. STUDENT AFFAIRS

Dr. Coughlin reported preliminary enrollment and occupancy data for Fall 1998.

7. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Dr. Froderberg updated the Board on current alumni, legislative, centennial and development issues.

8. FACULTY SENATE

Dr. Plumlee reported that the Faculty Senate had its first meeting of the year on September 28. The Senate has a number of important issues to consider this year and members are looking forward to continued work with Western's administrators on those issues of mutual concern.

9. ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AS President Sarah Steves reported the A. S. Board held its first meeting of the academic year and members anticipate a great year.

10. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chair Yuan thanked Vice President Pierce and others who have worked long and hard on the WWU Neighborhood Plan, which was adopted by the City of Bellingham in September.

a) Resolution 98-06

MOTION Wayne Ehlers moved that the Board of Trustees
10-2-98 of Western Washington University adopt Resolution No. 98-06 Honoring the Contributions of Virginia Wright.

The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-06
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF
VIRGINIA WRIGHT

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright has dedicated her time and talent for more than thirty years to increasing support for the arts in Washington state and at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright has been actively involved since 1971 in leading efforts to enhance the internationally renowned Outdoor Sculpture Collection at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright in 1975 founded the Washington Art Consortium that included Western Washington University among its four founding members; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright has made extraordinary personal and financial contributions to the Outdoor Sculpture Collection and to the visual arts program at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, the Western Washington University Board of Trustees wishes to express its gratitude to Virginia Wright for these enduring and generous contributions of time, effort and resources;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University that the plaza formerly known as the College of Fine and Performing Arts plaza be named:

THE VIRGINIA WRIGHT PLAZA

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on October 2, 1998.

b) Resolution 98-07

MOTION Robert Helsell moved that the Board of Trustees
10-3-98 of Western Washington University adopt Resolution No. 98-07 Declaring Intent to Secure Financial Support for the Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest Project.

Grace Yuan abstained. The motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-07
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES DECLARING
INTENT TO SECURE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE CANYON LAKE CREEK
COMMUNITY FOREST PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Land Trust has worked diligently toward the acquisition of approximately 2300 acres of forest through their Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest Project; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Land Trust intends that ownership of the forest be vested in Whatcom County and Western Washington University while retaining a restrictive conservation easement; and

WHEREAS, the property contains about 600 acres of old growth forest as well as other forests of various ages, which would provide a unique research site for a number of programs at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Land Trust has asked for the assistance of Western Washington University to bring the project to fruition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University declares it to be the intent of the University, through The Western Foundation, to assist in securing non-public financial support for research on the property, and delegates to the President the authority to accept the property upon completion of a contractual relationship that establishes a satisfactory relationship among all of the parties involved.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on October 2, 1998.

c) Resolution 98-08

MOTION Mary Swenson moved that the Board of Trustees of
10-4-98 Western Washington University adopt Resolution No. 98-08 Recognizing the Service of Board Member David W. Cole.

The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-08
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF BOARD MEMBER
DAVID W. COLE

WHEREAS, DAVID COLE, of Redmond, Washington has served on the Western Washington University Board of Trustees from October 1995 to October 1998; and

WHEREAS, he brought to the Board of Trustees his experience as a student and an alumnus of Western Washington University and the knowledge and experience gained in the world of modern technology; and

WHEREAS, DAVID COLE brought to the Board of Trustees exceptional knowledge, experience, insight and industry; and

WHEREAS, he contributed his time to the stewardship of the University at considerable personal sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, DAVID COLE, contributed to the increased stature and the future potential of Western Washington University through his participation in numerous activities and decisions affecting the university;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that DAVID COLE be and is hereby honored for outstanding service and dedication to the University and is extended the gratitude and best wishes of the entire University community.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on October 2, 1998.

d) 1999 MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MOTION Robert Helsell moved that the Board of Trustees
10-5-98 of Western Washington University adopt the meeting schedule for 1999 as follows:

February 4-5, 1999
April 1-2, 1999
June 10-11, 1999
August 5-6, 1999
October 7-8, 1999
December 2-3, 1999

The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:10 p.m. Chair Yuan announced that the Board would go into Executive Session for approximately two hours to discuss real estate, legal and personnel matters.

At 2:20 p.m. the Board reconvened and took the following action.

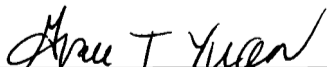
11. LAND ACQUISITION

MOTION Robert Helsell moved that the Board of Trustees
10-6-98 of Western Washington University, upon the recommendation of the President, authorize the purchase of real properties located at: 800/802 Indian Terrace, 804/806 Indian Terrace, 808 Indian Terrace, 812 Indian Terrace, and 818 Indian Terrace, upon final approval by the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

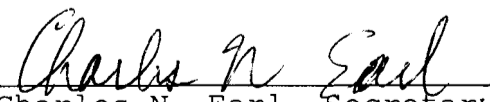
The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

At 2:25 p.m. the Board adjourned.


Grace Yuan, Chair

ATTEST:


Charles N. Earl, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 98-06
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF
VIRGINIA WRIGHT

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright has dedicated her time and talent for more than thirty years to increasing support for the arts in Washington state and at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright has been actively involved since 1971 in leading efforts to enhance the internationally renowned Outdoor Sculpture Collection at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Wright in 1975 founded the Washington Art Consortium that included Western Washington University among its four founding members; and

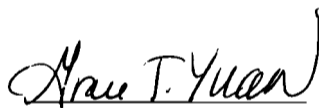
WHEREAS, Virginia Wright has made extraordinary personal and financial contributions to the Outdoor Sculpture Collection and to the visual arts program at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, the Western Washington University Board of Trustees wishes to express its gratitude to Virginia Wright for these enduring and generous contributions of time, effort and resources;

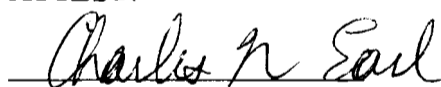
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University that the plaza formerly known as the College of Fine and Performing Arts plaza be named:

THE VIRGINIA WRIGHT PLAZA

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on October 2, 1998.


Grace Yuan, Chair

ATTEST:

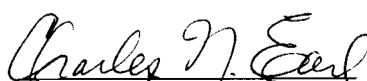

Charles N. Earl, Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University and keeper of the records of said Board, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached Resolution No. 98-06 is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Board finally adopted at the regular meeting thereof held on the 2nd of October, 1998, and duly recorded.
2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, and to the extent required by law due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Board of Trustees voted in the proper manner for the adoption of said Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper adoption of said Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that we are authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the University this 2nd day of October, 1998.


Charles N. Earl, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 98-07
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES DECLARING
INTENT TO SECURE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE CANYON LAKE CREEK
COMMUNITY FOREST PROJECT

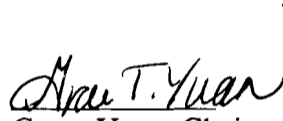
WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Land Trust has worked diligently toward the acquisition of approximately 2300 acres of forest through their Canyon Lake Creek Community Forest Project; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Land Trust intends that ownership of the forest be vested in Whatcom County and Western Washington University while retaining a restrictive conservation easement; and

WHEREAS, the property contains about 600 acres of old growth forest as well as other forests of various ages, which would provide a unique research site for a number of programs at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Land Trust has asked for the assistance of Western Washington University to bring the project to fruition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University declares it to be the intent of the University, through The Western Foundation, to assist in securing non-public financial support for research on the property, and delegates to the President the authority to accept the property upon completion of a contractual relationship that establishes a satisfactory relationship among all of the parties involved.


Grace Yuan, Chair

ATTEST:

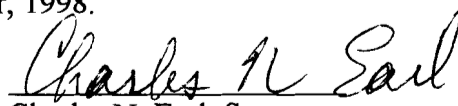

Charles N. Earl, Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University and keeper of the records of said Board, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached Resolution No. 98-07 is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Board finally adopted at the regular meeting thereof held on the 2nd of October, 1998, and duly recorded.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the University this 2nd day of October, 1998.


Charles N. Earl, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 98-08
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF BOARD MEMBER
DAVID W. COLE

WHEREAS, DAVID COLE, of Redmond, Washington has served on the Western Washington University Board of Trustees from October 1995 to October 1998; and

WHEREAS, he brought to the Board of Trustees his experience as a student and an alumnus of Western Washington University and the knowledge and experience gained in the world of modern technology; and

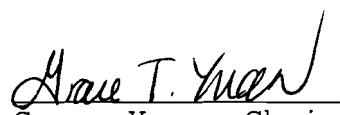
WHEREAS, DAVID COLE brought to the Board of Trustees exceptional knowledge, experience, insight and industry; and

WHEREAS, he contributed his time to the stewardship of the University at considerable personal sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, DAVID COLE, contributed to the increased stature and the future potential of Western Washington University through his participation in numerous activities and decisions affecting the university;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that DAVID COLE be and is hereby honored for outstanding service and dedication to the University and is extended the gratitude and best wishes of the entire University community.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on October 2, 1998.


Grace Yuan, Chair

ATTEST:



Charles N. Earl

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University and keeper of the records of said Board, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached Resolution No. 98-08 is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Board finally adopted at the regular meeting thereof held on the 2nd of October, 1998, and duly recorded.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the University this 2nd day of October, 1998.


Charles N. Earl, Secretary