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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

The Board of Regents met in regular session on January 29, 1977. Approval was given to degree programs including areas of concentration in psychobiology and community health, an associate degree program in printing technology, and certification for teachers of Junior Reserved Officers Training.

The 1975-76 Annual Financial Report and the Annual Auditor's Report for the 1975-76 fiscal period were approved and adopted. The Annual Financial Report reflects the financial status of the University at the close of the fiscal year indicated, and it contains a complete record of the financial statements and the accounts administered by the University. The Audit Report serves as a permanent record of the fiscal affairs of the University as audited and certified by an independent accounting firm in compliance with established procedures and in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth.

The Board approved a recommendation for the continuation of required housing for freshmen and sophomores. Residence hall rates were revised, establishing the semester rate at \$205 for air-conditioned halls and \$193 for halls without air conditioning. The revised rates take effect with the 1977 summer session.

The Board approved the recommended plan for the administration of the University Scholarship Program and for awarding undergraduate scholarships. An expression of appreciation was directed to the College Heights Foundation with commendations for the continued increase in the support for scholarships provided by the College Heights Foundation. It was announced that the Foundation will increase the amount for scholarship assistance by an additional \$20,000, bringing the total to \$110,000 next fall. A report on international education was received by the Board and statements of support for the International Education Program were included in the comments made by the Regents who expressed their interest.

Among the personnel recommendations approved by the Board were sabbatical leaves for 1977-78 for the following faculty and staff members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
<u>Academic Affairs</u>	
Admissions: Dr. Thomas L. Updike	Second bi-term of 1978 spring semester
Bowling Green Community College and Continuing Education: Dr. Carl P. Chelf	1977 summer session
<u>Bowling Green College of Business and Public Affairs</u>	
Business Administration: Dr. S. Basheer Ahmed	1977-78 school year
Government: Dr. Georg R. Bluhm	1977 fall semester
Sociology and Anthropology: Dr. Kathleen A. Kalab	1978 spring semester
<u>College of Education</u>	
Center for Career and Vocational Teacher Education: Dr. Norman D. Ehresman	1977 fall semester
Industrial Education and Technology: Dr. Franklin Conley Mr. Jeff Crisp, Jr.	1977 summer session 1977 fall semester
Psychology: Dr. William Cunningham	1978 spring semester
<u>Ogden College of Science and Technology</u>	
Office of the Dean: Mr. Lynn E. Greeley	1977 fall semester

Hillside Road

NameEffective DateOgden College of Science and Technology
(continued)

Biology:

Dr. Martin R. Houston

1978 spring semester

Dr. Rudolph Prins

1977 fall semester

Chemistry:

Dr. Earl F. Pearson

1977 fall semester

Geography and Geology:

Mr. Willard Cockrill

1977 summer session

Mathematics and Computer Science:

Mr. George W. Downing

1977 fall semester

Physics and Astronomy:

Dr. Martin S. Longmire

1977-78 school year

Dr. James E. Parks

1977 fall semester

Potter College of Arts and Humanities

Office of the Dean:

Dr. Robert H. Mounce

1977 summer session

Art:

Mr. Ivan Schieferdecker

1977 fall semester

Communication and Theatre:

Dr. Randall Capps

1977 summer session

Dr. J. Regis O'Connor

1977 fall semester

English:

Dr. Charmaine Allmon

1978 spring semester

Dr. Joseph Glaser

1977 fall semester

Mr. Thomas G. Jones

1977 fall semester

Dr. LeRoy Little

1977-78 school year

Mrs. Mary Ellen Miller

1978 spring semester

Foreign Languages:

Dr. James C. Babcock

1977 fall semester

Dr. Carol Paul Brown

1977 summer session

Music:

Mr. Bennie P. Beach

1978 spring semester

Dr. Edward J. Pease

1978 spring semester

Philosophy and Religion:

Dr. Ronald H. Nash

1977 summer session

Dr. Ronald Veenker

1977 fall semester

UNIVERSITY-WIDE COOPERATION NECESSARY IN FUEL AND ENERGY CRISIS

I feel I can best communicate with individual members of the faculty and staff regarding the current status of the University's efforts to conserve fuel and energy by attaching a copy of a recent memorandum which I addressed to members of the Administrative Council regarding this matter. After reading this memorandum, I am sure you will grasp the significance of this problem and will wholeheartedly lend your cooperation to these efforts.

SPRING VACATION

Classes will be dismissed for spring vacation with the end of classes on Friday, March 11, and resume with the first class meeting on Monday, March 21. Administrative offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 14 and 15 and will be closed for the remainder of the week.

PERSONAL MESSAGE

The Board of Regents accepted a report from the Executive Committee and gave approval to the Committee's recommendation for the reappointment of the President of the University for a four-year term upon the expiration of the current appointment on September 12, 1977.

I trust it will not be considered inappropriate for me to reiterate here part of what I attempted to convey to the Board of Regents at the time the above action was taken. I stated then, as I have done on other occasions, that I am convinced that the greatest single source of strength within the University is the competent, well-qualified faculty and administrative staff who continue to demonstrate the ability to coordinate their efforts in the successful attainment of the goals to which Western aspires. There continues to be evidence of an unusual degree of dedication and commitment which reflects itself in the effective manner with which University employees are carrying out their responsibilities. I am genuinely grateful to the faculty and staff for this and other ways in which they individually and collectively contribute to the continued success of the University.

I appreciate the expressions of support, and I solicit suggestions on ways in which I might serve the University more effectively.

Dero G. Downing
President

Attachment

H. G. Downing



WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY 42101

February 1, 1977

Office of the President

MEMORANDUM TO: Members of the Administrative Council

Mr. William E. Bivin	Mr. Charles A. Keown
Dr. Carl P. Chelf	Mr. Harry K. Largen
Dr. Paul B. Cook	Mr. Rhea P. Lazarus
Dr. James L. Davis	Dr. John D. Minton
Dr. Elmer Gray	Dr. Robert Mounce
Dr. Henry N. Hardin	Dr. Marvin W. Russell
Dr. William R. Hourigan	Dr. J. T. Sandefur
Dr. William M. Jenkins	Dr. Ronnie N. Sutton

This is to confirm the action taken at the meeting of the Administrative Council and to request that you communicate in an appropriate manner with the members of the faculty, staff, students, and others interested in the University. The purpose of the meeting this morning was to review the circumstances relating to the utilization and conservation of fuel and energy throughout the University.

As a follow-up to our discussions, I am naming a special steering committee to be responsible for the overall coordination of University efforts to more effectively utilize the resources available to the University. I am asking Mr. Largen, Dr. Davis, Dr. Minton, and Mr. Lazarus to serve on this steering committee with Mr. Lazarus requested to serve as Chairman.

The committee will confer with the persons in the University who are in position to contribute to our continued conservation efforts. All University personnel are requested to submit ideas and to direct suggestions and/or questions that may have a bearing upon efficient utilization of resources or any other aspect of the fuel and energy problems.

I trust it is generally known that the conservation of fuel and energy is not something new to the University, inasmuch as we have concentrated on this problem for more than three years. Needless to say, we must not only continue the conservation measures that have already proven effective in reducing the amount of fuel and energy consumed; we must initiate other steps which will be necessary to demonstrate Western's commitment to support the voluntary community-wide effort which hopefully will enable us to successfully cope with the serious fuel shortage facing Kentucky and the nation.

In addition to the continuation of previously adopted conservation measures, the following steps are being taken to comply with the appeal made by President Carter and Governor Carroll for significant reductions in fuel consumption.

William E. Bivin

February 1, 1977

1. Classes meeting after 4 p.m. are to be consolidated so that the fewest buildings possible will be in use after that hour. This will allow a reduction in temperature in more of the facilities programmed by the Utilities Management System.
2. The Office of Physical Plant and Facilities Management has been directed to program University buildings to achieve as nearly as possible the temperature level of 65° during the day and 60° or below during the evening hours. Mr. Owen Lawson and members of the Physical Plant staff have been requested to monitor the system at all times in a continuous effort to maintain balance and consistency. The conditions that prevail within the various facilities and the imperfections in the system itself create management problems with which the staff will be working to the best of their ability.
3. Steps are being taken to reset all thermostats in all public areas (restrooms, lobbies, etc.) to 60°.
4. Except in selected areas which require hot water for essential functions, the hot water will be reduced to the lowest possible level. (Residence halls are excluded.)
5. Except in instances where special permission has been given by the special steering committee, the use of portable electric heaters is to be discontinued throughout the University.
6. Careful consideration is to be given to the scheduling of evening events; and, whenever possible, activities and events which have been scheduled after 4 p.m. are to be rescheduled to comply with the effort to reduce energy requirements in the evening hours.
7. Continued attention is to be given to the ways in which fuel and energy savings can be incurred by the individual user on the campus. These include the curtailment of use of electrical appliances, turning lights off when an area is not in use, keeping windows and doors closed tightly, and being alert to other ways which may be brought to our attention.

I would be remiss if I did not express appreciation for energy-saving efforts that have already been made over an extended period of time by many people in the University community. In addition, the Office of Physical Plant and Facilities Management, working closely with the Vice President for Business Affairs, is to be commended for the effective manner with which Western has prepared for and coped with the fuel and energy problems.

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The primary source of fuel used by the University is coal. Steps have been taken to build a reserve supply of coal to a reasonable level in case of emergency. A small amount of fuel oil is being utilized from time to time to supplement the coal. I am sure everyone is aware of the fact that, with the exception of the North Wing of the Thompson Complex for Science, natural gas was terminated effective November 1, 1976, as a source of fuel for all facilities on the Western campus. We are exceedingly fortunate that the long-range planning which went into the expansion and refinement of the Central Heating System in 1971 provided for the capability to use coal, natural gas, or fuel oil as well as any combination of these according to the availability, cost, and other factors involved.

Another important step which has proved most beneficial to the University was the installation of the Utilities Management System. This system has proved to be very effective in reducing the amount of fuel and energy required, thereby resulting in a substantial saving of money as well as greater conservation of fuel and energy.

This memorandum is being hand delivered to each member of the Administrative Council with the request that each of you communicate the information to those in your area of responsibility in an appropriate manner.

Dero G. Downing
President

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PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA