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A special meeting of the Trustees of the University of Wyoming was held on June 29, 1991 in the Board Room of Old Main. The meeting was called to order by President Sharratt at 1:40 p.m. Trustees held a Budget Committee meeting earlier in the day and they also held an executive session to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

ROLL CALL

The following Trustees attended the special meeting: Bryan E. Sharratt, President, John D. (Dave) Bonner, W. Perry Dray, Deborah Healy Hammons, Harry Lee Harris, Peter M. Jorgensen, Daniel Kinnaman, Jeri Kirk, and Walter G. (Jerry) Saunders. Ex-officio members Terry P. Roark, Diana Ohman and Travis Gentry were also in attendance. Trustee Mike Schutte attended the Budget Committee meeting, but he, F. Richard Brown, David W. Updike, and ex-officio member Mike Sullivan were unable to attend the special meeting.

1991-92 INNOVATIVE EDUCATION GRANTS

President Roark presented two proposals, totaling \$800,000, for funding through the 1991-92 Wyoming Educational Trust Fund Innovative Education Grants Program. Both proposals are related to expanding the quality and richness of undergraduate, graduate, and professional instruction at the University of Wyoming.

President Roark stated that the administration views the \$800,000 available to the University under the Innovative Education Grants Program for 1991-92 as monies that can be expended one time only and not as a continuing commitment. He said that one of the most

attractive aspects of the Innovative Education Grants Program is the ability to use income from the endowment for chairs. The reason no chairs are included in the present proposal is due to the short time line to develop proposals. The program was approved by the legislature in March and the proposals must be submitted by July 1. The University will be bringing suggestions for use of the continuing trust fund monies to support chairs in the future.

President Roark stated that the two projects proposed today could not be done without the trust fund monies or a legislative appropriation. In selecting projects this year, the University tried to see what things they could really boost which are priorities of the people of Wyoming in higher education. Dr. Roark stated that two things he continually hears in the state are "We want good undergraduate education," and "we want it here."

Center for Teaching Excellence

The first proposal is for establishment of the Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) in the amount of \$300,000. The CTE will directly support the University's enhanced emphasis on under-graduate curriculum, faculty development, the University Studies program, the expanded teacher education program, articulation with Wyoming high schools and community colleges, and the integrated telecommunications proposal. Reallocated funds will provide continuing administrative personnel support for the center. The budget summary is included as Enclosure 1.

Mr. Dray moved approval of the proposal for \$300,000 for establishment of the Center for Teaching Excellence for submission to the Wyoming Education Trust Fund Advisory Council for funding through the 1991-92 Innovative Education Grants program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bonner, and it carried.

Integrated Telecommunications System

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The second proposal is for \$500,000 to expand academic outreach capabilities through an integrated telecommunications system. The interactive compressed video system will link UW to all community colleges and eventually to all partnership schools, as well as to other sites throughout Wyoming. The budget summary is included as Enclosure 2.

Mr. Bonner moved approval of the proposal for \$500,000 for an Integrated Telecommunications plan for extending the University of Wyoming programs and services off-campus for submission to the Wyoming Education Trust Fund Advisory Council for funding through the 1991-92 Innovative Education Grants program. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hammons, and it carried.

ADJOURNMENT AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

There being no further business to come before the Trustees, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for July 19-20, 1991.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Betty Long
Deputy Secretary Pro Tem