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SPECIAL MEETING  
SUB 103  
JUNE 11, 1976  
11:00 A.M.

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The special meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Eugene Brain, in Room 103 of the SUB, on the campus of Central Washington State College in Ellensburg, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Present

Dr. Eugene Brain, Chairman  
Mr. Herbert L. Frank  
Mrs. Catherine Hunter  
Mr. Paul Schaaake

Absent

Mr. Philip Caron, Vice Chairman

Others

Dr. James E. Brooks, President  
Dr. Jimmie Applegate, Faculty Senate Chairman  
Ms. Louanne Luehrs, Chairperson, Student Board of Control

Dr. Brain opened the meeting and explained that an agenda would not be followed, that the Board was meeting at this time at the request of the Minority Student Coalition for a meeting with the group, and that the Board was present to listen to what the group wished to say.

Mr. Byron Akita, a representative of the Minority Student Coalition read a letter addressed to the Board of Trustees (1) responding to the letter of June 7, 1976 from Dr. Brooks to the Minority Student Coalition, and (2) a statement of conditions for continued discussions. The Coalition indicated they had not received a copy of a report entitled, "Task Force for Minority Concerns Surveyed", Fall, 1975 to Winter, 1975, which the Board wished to discuss with them. No detailed discussion of the report therefore took place as Mrs. Hunter indicated it would not be fair to ask questions about a report that had just been received. Dr. Brooks gave Mr. Hernandez his copy of the report.

The Minority Student Coalition asked that a committee be formed for continued discussions, the Committee to be composed of the President, or his representative, a member of the Board, or a selected representative, a non-white community leader, two student representatives from MSC, and an outside professional mediator.

The Board asked for documentation of the 20 cases of discrimination which the Minority Students Coalition indicated they had forwarded to the Office of Civil Rights in Seattle. The MSC indicated the complaints were in the general areas of Counseling (4), academic advisement, administration--faculty, and some in curriculum and financial aids. They refused to disclose specific complaints, however, until they had a Task Force established.

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The discussion continued with the MSC, guests from outside of the college, students, faculty, administration and members of the board participating. Some of the questions raised were: if minority students are being treated equal, the number of students coming to CWSC who are graduating, reasons for students dropping out, housing problems for minority students, the need for the Ethnic Studies program, minority counselors and bilingual and minority culture curriculum. Also discussed were the transcript and the open hearing of the Screening Committee for the Ethnic Studies positions, and the insensitivity, slowness in reacting, and lack of moral concern to needs of ethnic groups and their problems.

The MSC again urged the Board to establish a committee. The Board indicated they would take no action at this time as they wished to discuss what they had learned at the meeting and decide what would be the best way to handle the expressed concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:30 p.m.

CENTRAL WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE  
STATE OF WASHINGTON  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION NO. 76-1

A resolution of the Board of Trustees of Central Washington State College delegating the Board of Trustees' powers and duties for signing full time and part-time faculty contracts after appointment by the Board to the President or his designee, and delegating the Board of Trustees' powers and duties to employ graduate assistants and summer session faculty to the President or his designee.

WHEREAS, effective May 6, 1971, RCW 28B.10.528 reads as follows:

"The governing boards of institutions of higher education shall have power, when exercised by resolution, to delegate to the president or his designee, of their respective university or college, any of the powers and duties vested in or imposed upon such governing board by law. Delegated powers and duties may be exercised in the name of the respective governing boards."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees shall retain its power and duty to employ full time and part-time members of the faculty for the academic year as set forth in RCW 28B.40.120, subsection (2), the Board has found it necessary to delegate its power and duty to sign faculty contracts of employment after the appointment to a faculty position has been made by the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, a full time or part-time faculty member's employment for an academic year with Central Washington State College does not commence until such time as he/she has been appointed by the Board of Trustees, and the faculty contracts of employment may therefore only be executed after appointment by the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, separate contracts must be executed for each summer session faculty member and graduate assistant and there are large numbers of the same; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the institution that the President or his designee, the respective dean in the area, have the power and the duty to employ and terminate summer session faculty members and graduate assistants and to execute contracts with and provide appropriate notices to such summer session faculty and graduate assistants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That under the provisions of RCW 28B.10.528, the Board of Trustees of Central Washington State College hereby delegates to the President or his designee, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Board's powers and duties to sign faculty employment contracts subsequent in time to the individual faculty member's appointment and thereby employment by the Board of Trustees, provided that no faculty contract of employment signed before appointment and employment by the Board of Trustees shall be valid or binding upon the Board of Trustees or the State of Washington for any purposes whatsoever.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That under the provisions of RCW 28B.10.528, the Board of Trustees of Central Washington State College hereby delegates to the President or his designee the Board's powers and duties to employ and terminate graduate assistants and summer session faculty members, to execute contracts of employment therewith and to provide notices of termination or nonrenewal whenever required by the rules and regulations of the institution; provided that no graduate assistant or summer session faculty contract of employment not signed pursuant to and in accordance with this delegation shall be valid or binding upon the Board of Trustees or the State of Washington for any purposes whatsoever.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all actions taken pursuant to this delegation of powers and duties may be exercised in the name of the Board of Trustees of Central Washington State College.

ADOPTED THIS 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1976.

APPROVED:

By: James Brooks  
Chairman, Board of Trustees  
Central Washington State College

ATTEST:

James Brooks  
Secretary, Board of Trustees, and  
President, Central Washington  
State College