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MINUTES -- Special Senate Meeting, March 14, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. in Grupe Conference Center by Senate Chairman Art Keith. Mr. Keith introduced Dr. Phillip R. Marshall, Executive Vice-President at Eastern Washington University and candidate for the presidency at CWU.

The regular procedure for meetings with the presidential candidates was followed. Dr. Marshall was asked questions in the following areas:

(1) Perceived problems at CWU. That is, what he believes to be the major problems facing our university today.

(2) Responsibilities of the President. That is, what he believes to be the major duties/responsibilities of a university president, and how he would prioritize those duties in terms of their importance.

(3) Departmental/Program Staffing. How would he handle the problem of staffing in programs or departments facing enrollment problems?

(4) General Decline of Higher Education in the Nation. What suggestions/comments did he have on the general decline in the quality of higher education in the U.S.

(5) Consolidation of Boards of Trustees. That is, his position on the proposal to consider combining the governing boards of all six state universities into two or possibly one "super board."

(6) University Long-Range Plan. That is, what he believes Central's long-range planning should be like, what direction(s), what emphases.

(7) Motivation to Seek the Presidency. Given his familiarity with Central, its problems, and the problems of higher education in the state, why does he wish to come to Central? Why does he wish to be a university president?

(8) Perspective on Decision-Making. What is his philosophy of shared governance at a university? What decisions should a president make alone, what in consultation with the faculty?

(9) Collective Bargaining. What is his attitude towards faculty collective bargaining?