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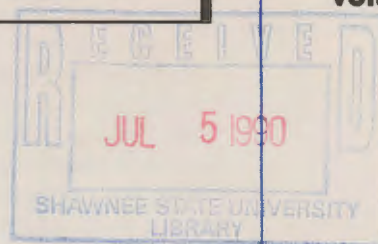


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From the Board Room

At their traditional June meeting prior to commencement exercises, the Shawnee State University Board of Trustees approved the 1990-1991 Student Handbook and adopted a media information policy describing the flow of official information and news from University groups and individuals to the media. In other action, the Board:

1. Approved the hirings of John H. Lorentz, as associate professor of history, and Dr. Jerry Holt, as chair of the Division of Arts and Humanities; and resignations of Sheryl Allison, assistant professor of dental hygiene; David M. Manuta, assistant professor of chemistry and physical science; Jack A. Thomas, senior instructor of radiologic technology; and Mark D. Hazelbaker, assistant director of admission for publications and advertising.
2. Adopted an Administrative Staff Classification and Compensation Policy establishing job classifications and pay structures and assuring competitive pay, realistic job classifications, adequate economic growth, specific time periods for position reviews, and flexibility to all for changes in the program to adapt to the needs of administrative employees.
3. Empowered Dr. Clive C. Veri, president of the University, to award certificates or degrees at Commencement exercises on Friday, June 15.

The meeting also included a surprise appearance by Vernal G. Riffe, Jr., Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives. During the President's Report, the Speaker commented on the significance of June 15, 1990 to the University and southern Ohio. "I tried to be here for a couple reasons. One because I have a lovely daughter on the Board and secondly, to thank you for the opportunity to be your commencement speaker. It seems like four years have gone by pretty fast since I signed the bill making this a four-year university. And people all over this state are talking about Shawnee State. They're talking about the progress you've made and the way things are going. And the best thing that ever happened to this University was the inauguration of your President. He has done a great job."

During the President's Report, Susan Warsaw updated the Board on the University's capital campaign. She said pledges, donations, and gifts-in-kind total more than \$3.6 million, including nearly 100 percent participation by the faculty and staff of Shawnee State. "Anytime we accept a donation, it's a win-win situation. And we have so many people to thank.

“A general officer who will invariably assume the responsibility for failure, whether he deserves it or not, and invariably gives the credit for success to others, whether they deserve it or not, will achieve outstanding success.”

— General George Patton

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Especially the hundreds of volunteers who have literally given hundreds and hundreds of hours of their time."

President Veri also read a letter from Dr. Bob Wilson thanking the University for its tuition rebate plan which assisted his son in receiving an education at Shawnee State. Robert Scott Wilson graduated from Shawnee State with an associate's degree from the Occupational Therapy Assistant program.

Dr. Cay Roberts presented interior design drawings and samples for the new Library/Media Services Building to the Board. The designs included color-coded drawings and fabric and surface examples.

During the Vice Presidents' Reports, Neil Hawk reported that program statements for the Fine and Performing Arts Center and the Indoor Physical Education Addition have been prepared for review, and Dick Howard reported that applications for the fall quarter of 1990-1991 are up 36%.

Reporting for the University Faculty Assembly, Dr. Scott Oliver, president, said the UFA is investigating the possibility of Shawnee State moving into a semester system, has asked the Shawnee Education Association to appoint a representative to help with contractual language and policy development, and is looking into the reorganization of Shawnee State's academic areas into colleges.

In addition, the Board heard reports concerning Allied Health and Nursing enrollment for 1990-1991, expansion of the Governor's Summer Institute program to 249 students—second in the state only to The Ohio State University, and that all 1989 graduates of the Radiologic Technology program passed the national certifying exam.

Chairperson William Reinhardt closed the meeting by announcing that F. Dick Hyland has been chosen by the Vice-Chairperson Committee to succeed Verna K. Riffe as vice-chairperson at the July 30 meeting. Riffe will succeed Reinhardt as chairperson.

Photo Possibilities

Thanks to all of you who took the time to have your picture taken during the recent opportunities on Monday, June 18 and Tuesday, June 19—nearly 100 faculty and staff will now have new photographs in the public relations files and for the 1990-1991 faculty and staff directory.

Unfortunately, some of you have said that you were unable to make one of the sessions. Therefore, in the hopes that we can have a complete directory, we are considering scheduling one more day (probably sometime in July) to have pictures taken. If you are interested in having your photo shot, please call the Office of Public Relations at x511 so we can determine a good time.

You're Invited: Chats With Americans

by Barb Bradbury

The students visiting Shawnee State University from Taiwan want to learn about Americans—their lifestyles and culture. Consider joining us for any of the following "international" activities:

- July 17 —** Treat a student to lunch. If you have the time to share an afternoon, take a student shopping, golfing, on a tour of the Ohio River Valley, or even back to your office. All that is needed is a little spare cash and a few hours of your time.
- July 24 —** At 1:30 p.m. in the Ramada Inn's Terrace Room, Bob Wilson will read selected poems for the students from Taiwan. The event is open to the campus community. Refreshments will be served.
- July 25 —** Join us on a caravan to the historic Sugarloaf Mountain Amphitheatre for dinner and a production of Tecumseh, an outdoor drama. Dinner will be provided, but participants must pay their own admission to the drama.

For more information about any of these events, please contact Barb Bradbury at x439.

Library/Media Services

Computerized Catalog Coming to Library

An automated version of the card catalog will be available in the Library early in the fall quarter of 1990. The Public Access Catalog (PAC), which is based on CD-ROM technology, will allow library users to access our collection with greatly increased flexibility.

The collection will be indexed by the standard elements such as author, title, and subject. In addition, one could cross reference these elements with a variety of others such as keywords or type of material (video, book, etc.). One could also browse the collection as it would appear on the shelves. The automated catalog workstations will be located in the Library near the reference desk.

Be on the lookout for the Library PAC and more information on this exciting new resource.

From the Learning Center

by Gene Beckett

One way we in the Learning Center evaluate the effectiveness of our developmental education programs is to determine how many of "our" students actually end up receiving a degree from Shawnee State. Granted, we feel somewhat successful about what we do when students judged underprepared upon entering the University subsequently pass developmental courses and successfully enter the mainstream university curriculum. However, we think a more rigorous test of our work in developmental education is how many of our students actually succeed the long haul of their college education and earn a degree.

This year, as in past years, I sought to find out how many of the students who petitioned to graduate have taken at least one developmental education course during their history at Shawnee State. I discovered that 36% of this year's graduates meet this criterion. (A majority of these developmental graduates have taken more than one developmental course.) Furthermore, I found that the developmental graduates have a composite grade point average of 2.93, indicating that these students didn't just survive college, but performed at a level above average. The developmental graduates average grade point lags only slightly behind the 3.03 grade point average for the total group of graduates.

This year I am elated to add to our tally of developmental graduates a very special student. One of our bachelor's degree graduates, David Crisp, is also a graduate of our GED preparation program. David is a living manifestation of what educational opportunity (what Speaker Riffe calls "helping people") is all about. A second GED program graduate received an associate's degree; however, this is not a first.

Thanks to the continued funding provided by the Community Action Organization, over 800 students have gone through the University's GED program, and roughly one of every four of them have matriculated to the University. Therefore, I don't expect GED program/university graduates to be a rarity in the future. In fact, there is a veritable bubble of GED program grads in the pipeline that is working its way steadily toward that important piece of paper and a handshake from Dr. Veri. Although we are proud of all of our developmental graduates, we have special feelings for these GED program students who have made it all the way.

With the establishment of mandatory assessment and placement two years ago, we now have data about entering students that will permit us to draw additional conclusions about the longitudinal effectiveness of developmental education, like its effect on graduation rates. I look forward to examining the results of these expanded tests of effectiveness, and I promise to share them with you.

SPE Group Receives Donation

The Shawnee State student members of the Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) were on hand recently to lend some muscle to the University as Jeff Humble and Brent Smith took delivery of a \$525,000 donation of equipment and materials from Ball Corporation. The equipment, the largest gift-in-kind ever received by Shawnee State, will be utilized by the Plastics Engineering Technology programs. If you would like an introduction to the equipment, please contact Jeff at x376.

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A SOLO Summer

The Southern Ohio Light Opera will feature "The Yeomen of the Guard" as its summer production for 1990. The production, which runs July 18-22 and July 25-29, will feature Stan Workman as artistic director and John Huston as production designer.

“I try to work in a way so I can always look into other people's eyes.”

— Karen Urbanek
New Communist Party Leader
in Czechoslovakia

Keeping Tabs

by Mark D. Hazelbaker

During the first two weeks of May more than 192,000 copies of the Shawnee State tabloid were inserted in newspapers throughout the region. Although many of you have read the product or at least heard of the effort, I want to share the process which brought the publication from vision to finished piece.

Being a "first-effort" edition, the primary purpose of the tabloid was to improve our name recognition, reinforce positives, and inform the public of our substantial growth—both in the physical plant and academic programs. A secondary goal was to recruit new students by drawing them to campus for an "up close and personal" with the people that make us unique—our faculty, staff, and students.

Seeing the need for a publication which would reach beyond our contiguous counties and the 17-county recruiting region, Dr. Clive Veri requested that research be conducted on the feasibility and impact of such a project . . . and after a few months of study, the tabloid had a mission and a budget and was ready to go.

With the help of faculty and staff throughout the university community, a rough outline was established; articles were written, edited, and rewritten; and pictures were taken. Finally, the publication began to take shape.

Was the "tabloid campaign" successful? We think so.

Our distribution list included 15 papers in 14 counties of the tri-state area—reaching as far as Fayette and Meigs Counties. And capping off the project has been a very positive response from readers throughout the region who have called for more information or attended featured activities on campus. In effect, the tabloid has done exactly what we wanted it to do.

Apparently, the project's initial success has lead to a decision to produce future editions of the tabloid during the next academic year. We hope this will be just another path towards improving our communication with the community—informing them who we are and, as we continue to grow, what we plan to become.

If you should have comments about the tabloid or input for the next issue, please feel free to contact the Office of Admission at x221. With your help, we'll be keeping a tab (no pun intended) on this truly campus-wide publication.

Newsworthy Briefs

Professional Activities in the Community and Beyond

- **Ed Miner** attended the annual meeting of the Midwest Academy of Management on April 21 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Ed attended several presentations and a teacher effectiveness workshop.

- **Nan Yun** presented "Songs 'By the Waters of Babylon': Clay Walls and Dictée" at the Asian American Studies Conference at the University of California, Santa Barbara, May 18-20. Nan also served as an invited speaker for the university's multi-ethnic student gathering.

- **Gary Gulker** attended a Department of Energy (DOE) conference in Denver, Colorado, June 10-12. The program focused on the DOE's educational requirements for Environmental Restoration/Waste Management programs and how two- and four-year institutions of higher learning can interface with contractors to assist the DOE.

The next edition of the *Shawnee Statement* will be distributed on August 1. Please submit articles for publication to the Office of Public Relations no later than July 13.