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1974 University Budget

At the Board of Trustees meeting, October 4, it was stated that over the past several weeks, the Trustees have undertaken a full-dress budget review to identify areas where significant savings might be possible. Outside the essentially unalterable requirements for staffing and servicing buildings scheduled to be completed and the faculty required to preserve the integrity of the instructional process, we find only two:

- one of them--library books and binding--has a significant relationship to the quality of our educational program;
- the other--financial aid--affects our capacity to serve a broad spectrum of Commonwealth students.

Although vital to a first-rate education, both have been subject to inadequate appropriation for several years.

If the amount available for financial aid and library books were reduced to the level of this fiscal year, the overall budget request would be reduced by almost \$5.7 million.

The Trustees said they cannot responsibly recommend that these items be reduced because the need for them remains. They would renew our request that the evaluation of these and all other items in our budget request be carried forward within the standard Executive budget review process, and that the possibility that federal aid and additional state revenue brought about by improved economic conditions might become available.

The University would be pleased to collaborate with the Secretary of Educational Affairs and other segments of higher education in examining how the proposals of the Carnegie Commission and other can be applied to the special needs of this Commonwealth. They said they are particularly conscious of the pressures facing private colleges and universities.

They voted:

1. to ask that the Secretary of Educational Affairs incorporate the University of Massachusetts Maintenance Budget for fiscal '74 in the budget review process for the Executive Budget;
2. to instruct the University administration to explore with appropriate private institutions of higher learning and with state and community colleges, collaborative efforts and future enrollment capacities; and

1974 University Budget (continued)

3. to instruct all offices of the University to undertake every economy consistent with continued development of the educational program.

President Robert C. Wood on October 3 gave an analysis on the budget to faculty chairmen and administrative directors. He stressed that the coming year will be a difficult one in getting our message accepted about the need for all the funds needed for the University's programs.

City Council Hearings

The Boston City Council has initiated a series of hearings concerning the impact of the move of UMass-Boston to Dorchester. The first hearing on October 3 brought testimony from Acting Chancellor Hamilton that UMass-Boston "is in philosophy and fact an Urban university. It is and must respond to the challenges as well as the opportunities of its urban environment, and the main genuine qualitative educational opportunities that communicates the values and truths of human experience and prepare our students to be among the future creative and concerned leaders that society needs."

The Council hearings were called by Councilor John J. Moakely. The first hearing was designed to learn about admissions policies, and Donald Costello reviewed our present and past history on recruiting, academic criteria, and trends in these areas.

Two more meetings are scheduled: one on the transportation problems concerning the opening of the campus, and another on the housing impact.

Councilor Patrick McDonough, a member of the sub-committee, expressed more concern with the housing problem than other aspects of the agenda which was prepared by the chairman and his staff.

Jacob Getson (Grant Development and Community Services) said the housing study sponsored by the Dorchester-Columbia Point Task Force and UMass-Boston is expected to be ready next month.

Book Reviewer

Professor Richard Robbins (Sociology) in the October 1 Sunday Herald Traveler Sunday Advertiser reviews the wayward revolution of the Civil Rights movement in the South in the mid-Sixties. "The Making of a Black Revolutionary" is written by James Forman, a leader in the Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. Robbins says that Forman adds much to the record of events at Selma, Alabama; Albany, Georgia, and other centers of "illegal, often violent, harrassment."

Library Exhibit

Illustrated books and design of Michael McCurdy are on exhibit at the Library until November 22.

College II Referendum

Voting for the ratification of the College II Constitution will be held on October 11 and 12, at the Sawyer Lounge and Main Lobby from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Faculty and staff are urged to bring to the attention of all College II students that the election is paramount for the expression of their wishes concerning the Constitution for their College.

A large turnout of concerned students will more accurately reflect their thinking about College governance.

Pass/Fails and Withdrawals

Pass/Fail cards are available in the Registrar's Office. The deadline for submitting a P/F card in the Registrar's Office is NOVEMBER 10. No cards will be accepted after that date. The following is University policy covering P/F. "A student may elect one course each semester to a maximum of eight on a pass/fail basis provided he presents a P/F Option card to the Registrar's Office at the mid-term. The grade of pass will be included in the graduation credits but not in the quality points or cumulative average. A P/F once submitted, cannot be withdrawn or changed to a grade. A student must be carrying 12 credits or 3 courses during the semester in which he elects the P/F." P/F DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 10.

Any upperclassman who wishes to withdraw from a course may obtain a withdrawal card from the Advising Office, 4th floor, Sawyer. Freshmen will find Withdrawal Cards at the office of the college to which they have been assigned. These cards may be completed and turned in to the Registrar's Office anytime before January 5th.

Freshmen wishing to withdraw should begin the procedure by contacting their assigned college. Upperclassmen may obtain withdrawal forms at the Advising Office.

In mid-October students will receive a copy of their schedule listing the courses for which the Registrar's Office has them registered. If there are errors in the listing (courses missing, etc.) students will be given the dates when they may come to the Registrar's Office to make corrections.

Learning and Teaching Coordinator

Professor Paul Bookbinder of the College II History Dept. has joined the Institute for Learning and Teaching for 1972-73 as Coordinator of University Programs. He succeeds Professor Suzanne Gassner who is now a member of the planning group for the College of Public and Community Service. Faculty members interested in collaborative programs with the Institute or in knowing more about the Institute in general should feel free to contact Professor Bookbinder on extension 636.

Guest Lecture

H. Garrison Wilkes of the Biology Department of UMass-Boston will speak on "Gene Conservation", today (Tuesday) at 2 p.m., in the Auditorium, Main Building. The lecture is open to all interested in attending. Dr. George Salzman said, "it would be difficult to overemphasize the central importance of this topic for an understanding of the conditions needed for long-term ecological stability, and for survival of the human species as a significant component of that ecological system." The lecture is part of the Science for Survival Course.

Master's Program in Architecture

David Hoeh, Professor of Architecture at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, will interview students interested in pursuing a master's program in architecture, Thursday, October 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the YWCA, 140 Clarendon Street. The University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee program is unique in that no undergraduate experience in architecture is required. No appointment is necessary. For further information, contact the Office of Vocational Counseling and Placement, Room 436, Sawyer Building, extension 554 or 555.

Five College January Flight to Paris

There will be a Five College charter flight from Boston to Paris and return December 29-January 20 for \$165 round-trip. The carrier will be an Air France 707. All five colleges (UMass, Smith, Amherst, Mount Holyoke and Hampshire) faculty, staff, students and dependents are eligible for this flight as well as for UMass-Boston personnel. Full payment is required by October 27. For information and applications consult the International Programs Office, 239 Whitmore Building, University of Massachusetts-Amherst. Telephone 545-2710.

Law School Information Day

On October 17, Northeastern University will host representatives from 10 law schools between 7:00 and 10:00 p.m., in Room 133, United Realty Bldg., at 107 Forsyth St., Boston. Further information may be obtained from Professor Thomas McEneaney at 437-2433, or from the Advising Office. Faculty are asked to bring this to the attention of students interested in law careers.

Graduate Entrance Examination

Faculty are asked to remind seniors that for the following testing dates these registration deadlines exist. Test bulletins and information are available with Miss Read in Sawyer 2-0448; extension 531.

	<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
Graduate Record Examination	October 28 December 9	October 10 November 14
Graduate Study in Business	November 4	October 13
Law School Admission Test	December 16	November 24
National Teachers Examination	November 11	October 26