

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANSThe meeting was called to order by Senator August "Gus" Bogina at  
Chairperson4:30 a.m./p.m. on April 12, 1985 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senators Doyen and Johnston

Committee staff present:

Research Department: Ben Barrett, Robin Hunn, Carolyn Rampey

Revisor's Office: Norman Furse

Committee Office: Judy Bromich, Doris Fager

Conferees appearing before the committee:

David Monical, Washburn University

HB 2165 - State aid to community colleges and WashburnMr. Monical distributed Attachments A and B, which are made part of these minutes.

The Chairman reminded the committee that conferees had appeared regarding HB 2165 at a previous committee meeting. There were numerous questions from committee members concerning credit hour aid and out-district tuition payments for Washburn University. There were also questions concerning state aid for graduate programs at the university.

Senator Harder asked if there had been discussion concerning phasing out the graduate program in Education. Mr. Monical indicated that, to his knowledge, there had been no discussion. During further questioning from Senator Harder, Mr. Monical said that almost all graduate programs at Washburn (except the law school) are evening programs.

When asked if the Psychology program is related to the Menniger Foundation, Mr. Monical said there is some sharing of Menninger resources, but most of the teachers are not connected with Menningers.

There was discussion by Senator Gaines concerning the need to reduce the number of law students at Washburn University and the University of Kansas; and the agreement by those schools that this would be done. He noted that this would reduce tuition receipts at both schools, but would not reduce expenses. He said he thought there would be a supplemental request from the University of Kansas when the omnibus appropriations bill is considered.

Mr. Monical said the law school enrollment at Washburn University will be reduced regardless of available funding from the state. He stressed that the reduction is a matter of educational policy at this point.

Senator Kerr asked a question concerning the annual cost of the increase in TIAA contributions by Washburn University. Mr. Monical said that it would be about \$180,000; and that it will be paid for by .6 mill increase in the employee benefits fund which the university is authorized to levy. He explained that this will be paid by the City of Topeka and not the state.

In response to a question from Senator Gannon, Mr. Monical stated he had been assured that contacts for the Kansas City outreach program were initiated by the local school districts. He added that he had discussed the matter with the President of Washburn University and, given the level of concern that has been expressed by this committee, the university will not enter into any agreements next year.

Senator Kerr reiterated his concern about the increase in the TIAA contribution at the same time the university is requesting significant increases in funding from the Legislature. Motion was made by Senator Kerr and seconded by Senator Gannon to amend HB 2165 in Section 3 (b) as follows:

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

room 123-S, Statehouse, at 4:30 ~~a.m.~~/p.m. on April 12, 1985

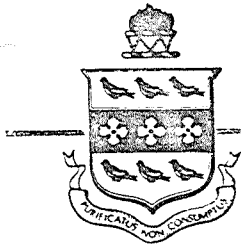
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Change the "1½" to "1.2" and make the increase for one year only. Senator Gaines expressed concern about this motion, because of the fact that the law schools are decreasing their enrollment in response to a request by an interim committee studying the problem of law school enrollments. There followed an extended discussion about the motion, and its effect on Washburn law school funding. The motion carried by a vote of 5-3.

Motion was made by Senator Gaines and seconded by Senator Winter to report HB 2165 as amended favorably for passage. The motion carried by roll call vote.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.





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## M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: David G. Monical  
Vice President for Planning

DATE: April 11, 1985

RE: Washburn University

I appreciated the opportunity to appear before the Committee yesterday and would like to briefly elaborate on some of the issues discussed.

1. Washburn University is requesting funding which would allow it to increase its budget by approximately 5 percent over its revised budget for the current year. This represents less than a 2 percent increase over its original budget for FY1985.
2. The state funding included in H.B. 2165 as passed by The House of Representatives is approximately 10 percent over revised state aid for the current year, but less than 3 percent over the original level of state aid appropriated for FY1985.
3. Washburn's proposed budget for FY1986 would provide a 5 percent salary increase for faculty, a 4 percent salary increase for other staff, and a 4.5 percent increase in other operating expenditures (excluding library acquisitions which are estimated at 10 percent).
4. The differential Law School aid is essential in supporting the university's plan to systematically reduce Law School enrollments. Most of the increase in state aid would go to offset the reduction in income due to the reduced enrollments. The university loses, at current rates, \$3,420 in revenue for every reduction of a full-time law student in its entering class.
5. When Law School salaries are excluded, Washburn's average faculty salaries are virtually identical to those at Wichita State University. Including Law School faculty salaries in inter-institutional salary comparisons tends to distort Washburn's comparative position as law faculty represent 10 percent of the university's full-time teaching staff.

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4:30



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April 11, 1985

Senator Joseph C. Harder  
Room 143-N  
Statehouse  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Harder:

Below is the enrollment information you requested during Washburn University's hearing before the Senate Ways and Means Committee on April 10, 1985. The totals shown for each program reflect only enrollments in graduate courses and not enrollments of individuals who may have a degree but who are taking undergraduate courses. As a result, these figures are less than those shown in the Legislative Educational Planning Committee reports which includes the classification of any student who possess a baccalaureate as a graduate student. This information is for Spring semester 1985.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Headcount</u>	<u>Student Credit Hours</u>
Education	220	653
Psychology	88	279
Business	87	257
Subtotal	395	1,189
Total University	7,039	63,271

I hope this information is of use to you. If you have additional questions, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Monical  
Vice President for Planning  
and Governmental Relations

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Washburn University has been a public institution for 45 years in the State of Kansas and is governed by statutes of the State of Kansas, and

WHEREAS, Washburn University educates approximately 7,000 Kansas students each semester and conducts a summer school program for Kansans, and

WHEREAS, the tuition for Kansas residents at Washburn is higher than any other public university in the state, and

WHEREAS, Washburn has received state aid since 1962 from the State of Kansas, and

WHEREAS, Washburn's current funding system does not provide the necessary long-range stability required by a public institution, and

WHEREAS, it is important for the State of Kansas to maintain a quality institution of higher learning in the State capitol to provide service for all Kansans, and

WHEREAS, Washburn University is committed to maintaining the solid tradition of high academic standards, to continuing to serve the needs of its diverse constituencies and to preserving its fiscal stability, and

WHEREAS, Washburn University desires to maintain its present mission, as a free-standing university, with the schools and programs now established kept intact, including the School of Law, therefore

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Regents of Washburn University requests a state legislative study of long-range funding for the university which provides stability and flexibility. Specifically the Board of Regents requests the legislature to consider: A permanent partnership between Washburn and the State of Kansas which could include a base level of funding from the state, tuition comparable to the state regents' institutions, and annual budget increases comparable to the state regents' institutions; or state affiliation which means that Washburn would be brought into the state regents' system as a free standing university; or other alternatives deemed reasonable by the legislature.

Washburn University of Topeka

April 10, 1985  
Date

Ann Garvin  
Ann Garvin, Chairman of  
the Board of Regents