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Brandt Discusses Budget … A Time of Reckoning

“We feel a little better this year,” Warren W. Brandt, SIU’s 11th president, said in reference to the budget recently approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE).

On a statewide scale, the budget, which was generally termed “a response to inflationary pressures” by the Illinois board’s new executive director, is 13.1 per cent more than expenditures for the current fiscal year. It is, however, considerably less than the increase of 28.3 per cent requested by the colleges and universities in Illinois.

STU’s request of $32,279,800 for capital improvements was cut 75 per cent to $7,913,200. The request for $107,557,700 of campus operation funding was slashed to $76,751,600.

The bulk of the capital improvements approved by the higher board is the $6.1 million allotted to SIU for construction of a School of Technical Careers Building.

IBHE’s budget provided larger salary increases than were average in the past. They approved a 10 per cent increase over salaries earned in fiscal year 1975 for faculty and staff. Their funding, however, was provided for only 90 per cent of the personnel, assuming a 10 per cent turnover which SIU does not experience. Thus, the actual funding is less than 10 per cent.

The higher board rejected its staff proposal to raise tuition in the SIU Medical School, located in Springfield, from $429 per year to $1,250 per year.

Brandt defended the board’s action, “If tuition goes up it would put more students in a position of needing financial aid.”

Though Brandt has expressed a need of approximately $300,000 in additional operational funding for the School of Medicine, he is confident that continued effort will resolve the differences. “$300,000 is an obvious appreciable slowdown in the growth of the School.

“Problems stem from the fact that there’s just so much money.” Brandt continued, “Problems will come as we try to meet the demands of inflationary costs of services when thinking in allotted dollars.”

Commenting on SIU’s future abilities to compete with other state schools, Brandt said, “We are one per cent below many of the other Illinois universities in regard to funding, which the board feels reflects the previous over funding.” There is, however, “not any reason why it should seriously affect our competitiveness.”

Brandt believes that distribution is the answer. “Our lack of funding just further necessitates that we get the funds where they will do the most good.”

IBHE, according to Brandt, has given SIU a good budget “that will allow us to make progress and move toward our goals. I’m satisfied. It could be a lot worse and certainly could be a lot better.”

The proposals now go to the General Assembly and then to Gov. Dan Walker for signature. According to Donald Prince, board chairman, Walker has not given any indication whether he will support the proposed budget.

Alumni Day Scheduled

Though Alumni Day is usually held in early June, due to the University changing from a quarter system to semesters, May 17 has been designated Alumni Day for 1975. Per usual, the event will be held in conjunction with commencement.

In addition to the traditional activities of the day, Great Teacher and Alumni Achievement Award presentations, State of the University report and Alumni Dinner, reunions will be held for all classes in years ending in “5” and “0,” as well as for the Class of ’74.

All members of those classes are invited to participate, regardless of degree received. The Class Reunions will be held during the afternoon in the Student Center.

More complete details on the entire Alumni Day program will be forthcoming in future publications. Special mailers will be sent to each alumnus whose class will be holding a reunion this year.

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What's New With You?? Keep the Alumni Office informed.
Part of the Angelina Lauro group, prior to boarding at St. Louis. Others joined them in Florida. The seven day cruise, which began on January 4, was reportedly a time of fun for all. Besides the swimming, dancing, gaming, sunning, and lunching, dining and snacking Italian style, the ship ported at San Juan, St. Thomas and Montego Bay.

Alumni Activities

THURSDAY, February 27
School of Business Alumni Meeting, 7:00 P.M. Morris Library Auditorium. Speaker: Fred Meyer.
MARCH 4-6
Bloomington Area and Jefferson County Telefund Campaigns.
MARCH 10, 11
Union County and Wayne County Telefund Campaigns.
MARCH 11, 12
Champaign Area Telefund Campaign.
THURSDAY, April 3
School of Business Alumni Meeting, 7:00 P.M. Morris Library Auditorium. Speaker: Donald Bryant.
SATURDAY, April 5
Champaign Area Alumni Club Meeting.
APRIL 8-10
Saline County Telefund Campaign.
SATURDAY, April 19
Joint meeting of St. Louis Area, Madison County, St. Clair County, Monroe County, Bond-Clinton and Macoupin-Montgomery Counties, 6:30 P.M. Augustine's Restaurant, Belleville, IL. Guest of Honor: President Warren W. Brandt.
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Southern Sketches

The University Museum of SIU has moved into new quarters in the Fane Building, bringing all its operations except research laboratories under one roof for the first time since Old Main Building burned in 1969 . . . SIU’s Board of Trustees authorized continuation of the University’s membership in the Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market, a consortium with area two-year colleges designed to develop cooperative programming among the schools . . . After 20 years as a member of the University’s student affairs staff in various capacities, Mr. Loretta Ott ’49, ’51 has been named acting dean of student life, pending selection of a successor for Emil Spees ’57, ’59, who has been reassigned since November 1. Spees is serving as the University’s institutional director as well as the co-director of the international Bios Research Project, which is undertaking to correlate bio-medical factors of student life . . . Richard W. Poston, who over the past 21 years has made SIU internationally synonymous with community development, has retired to emeritus status. A pioneer and authority in community development as a science, Poston organized SIU’s Community Development Service and served as its director until 1959 when he was named research professor. He has now taken an early retirement to accept a position with the rural electric cooperative system of Southern Illinois. He will help the cooperatives in the community development program.

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