



OU NEWS

OU prepares for lean budget year

University officials are continuing their efforts to prune at least \$100,000 from the 1979-80 budget to carry over to next year.

In addition to the \$100,000 cushion, members of the Executive Budget Committee will meet May 19 to consider recommendations to cut a minimum of \$600,000 from the 1980-81 budget base.

Interim President George T. Matthews said the university actions are based on a number of assumptions.

*That the 1980-81 general fund appropriation will be no more than 5 percent higher than the appropriation received for 1979-80.

*That enrollment will experience a modest increase.

*That additional revenues will be received from a tuition and fees increase of approximately 12 percent. All current

indications are that the university will have to ask the Board of Trustees to approve an increase in that range.

If all the above assumptions proved true and no new expenditures were added, the university could balance its budget for 1980-81, Matthews said.

However, he pointed to \$1.5 million in wages, salaries, and fringe benefits alone for which the university is already committed for next year. There is an additional \$320,000 needed for new faculty positions and there are operating costs for O'Dowd Hall, among other items.

"We do confront a deficit of \$600,000 or more given the above parameters," Matthews said. "We will have to reallocate some of our resources to do the things we are committed to do next year."

"In phase one, all units are in the process of reducing expenditures for the current year by at least \$100,000," Matthews said.

Some of the measures he has instituted include cutting overtime, filling only the most crucial of vacant positions, and making only the most critical equipment purchases.

The second phase of the program calls for saving another \$600,000 or more from the 1980-81 budget.

Serious as the current situation appears, it is not as severe at this point as the 1974-75 crisis. At that time the university pared in excess of \$1 million from a smaller budget base than is being considered for 1980-81, Matthews said.

"The goal is to anticipate the revenue problems, save faculty and staff positions, and present the Board of Trustees a balanced budget when the final level of state support is known," Matthews said.

Jack Moeller is acting dean

Jack R. Moeller has been named acting dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The appointment will take effect June 23 although Moeller is already working with Dean Reuben Torch to insure a smooth transition, said Frederick W. Obeare, academic vice president and provost. Obeare said he was "grateful that Moeller was willing to take on the responsibility."

Moeller's appointment will be considered by the Board of Trustees at the May 22 meeting.

Moeller has been a member of the OU faculty since 1963. He was promoted to associate professor in 1966 and full professor in 1969. For the past six years he

has been chairperson of the Department of Modern Languages and Literature.

He holds an undergraduate degree from Oberlin College and the master's and doctorate from Princeton University.

Obeare said Moeller's appointment would cause a "minimal disruption" in modern languages. Moeller was scheduled to be on leave for the fall semester and John W. Barthel had already agreed to be acting chairperson in the department for that period, Obeare said.

New board date

The Wednesday, May 21, meeting of the Oakland University Board of Trustees has been cancelled. This meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, May 22, at 7:30 p.m. in Lounge II of the Oakland Center.

The Oakland University Alumni Association Board of Directors announces that applications for the funding of university programs/projects from the 1979/80 Alumni Fund Drive are available. The one-page application may be obtained in the Alumni Relations Office, Room 119, North Foundation Hall, and must be returned to the alumni director prior to June 1. If students, faculty, or staff have further questions, please contact the Alumni Relations Office 377-2158.

Faculty honored by eye institute

Two members of the Institute of Biological Sciences have been honored by the National Eye Institute of the National Institutes of Health.

Frank J. Giblin won the Academic Investigator Award of \$106,866 and M. Kazem Mostafapour received a \$146,135 research grant.

Both three-year awards were made following a peer review in a national competition by the NEI stated V.N. Reddy, director of the OU Institute of Biological Sciences.

Giblin's award is the first of its kind ever received by OU. The researcher received his Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the State University of New York in Buffalo, and he came to Oakland six years ago as a recipient of a National Research Service Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Visual Sciences. He was appointed to the faculty in the Institute and the Center for Health Sciences in 1977. Giblin's current research is concerned with the mechanism of X-ray induced cataracts.

Mostafapour's award supports his studies on the soluble proteins in the ocular lens. (Insolubleness of the protein generally leads to cataract formation).

Mostafapour received his Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Wayne State University. He too joined the Institute as a National Research Service Fellow in Visual Sciences, following four years of post-doctoral research in several other universities. He was appointed to the faculty in 1978. Both Giblin and Mostafapour currently hold the rank of assistant professor of biomedical sciences.

The investigator award is designed to facilitate the development of academic

faculty in clinical or laboratory sciences related to diseases of the eye and visual system. The award will enable the promising young biomedical scientist to gain experience in laboratory research, clinical research and teaching, appropriate to the development of academic leadership. Reddy stated that the primary emphasis of this program is placed upon the individual development of each awardee into an accomplished independent academic investigator.

Both of these awards to the members of the institute are significant at a time when only one of every four approved grant applications are being funded by the National Institutes of Health, Reddy said.

Program grant

The Department of Mathematical Sciences has received \$5,000 from the university's special instructional equipment fund to support an applied statistics concentration.

The funds may be used for the purchase of software packages or to satisfy other equipment needs of the program. Frederick W. Obear, academic vice-president and provost, said the grant is part of the university commitment to provide non-general fund dollars for the purchase of undergraduate instructional equipment.

SPA summer arts program

Oakland University will host a variety of exciting programs for young performing artists this summer. Laszlo J. Hetenyi, acting dean of the School of Performing Arts, has announced that the school plans to offer both credit and non-credit courses and workshops in music, dance, and theatre arts. The summer program gives students both instruction and opportunities to perform in fully mounted productions.

Summer music offerings include a special two-week Orff Institute for music teachers, August 4-15. A week-long Swing and Show Choir Camp, June 23-27, features instruction in the performance of show music, choreography, staging, and make-up techniques designed for senior high school students.

Summer dance programs in ballet, jazz and modern will be taught by guest artists including Peter Sparling, lead dancer with the Graham Company. Credit courses and non-credit workshops in dance will begin June 23. Select dancers enrolled in the workshops will be performing in summer productions.

This summer marks the first time Oakland will offer credit courses in acting and staging techniques. And students in the theatre arts courses will take part in staging a summer repertory: a puppet theatre for children, a modern full length comedy, and a dance theatre production performed on a rotating schedule from July 15 until the end of the summer session, August 15 in the Studio Theatre of Varner Hall.

For more information, contact the School of Performing Arts at 377-3016.

Three area students have won the 1980 distinguished musicianship awards presented by the Department of Music.

The awards are the highest honors made by the department and go annually to one or more students for excellence in performance and/or composition.

The students will be feted at a reception and perform next year at a special concert for winners sponsored by the department.

Winners are Anthony Becker, pianist and composer from Detroit; Ronald DeRoo, pianist and associate director of the Meadow Brook Estate, Dearborn; and Loni Pryce of Troy, soprano lead in the recent production of "Kiss Me Kate."

New study center considered

Provost Frederick W. Obear has established a study committee to make recommendations on the establishment of a Center for International and Area Studies.

Isaac Eliezer, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, is chairperson of the nine member committee.

Obear said "Our commitment since 1959 to strong area studies programs, our involvement over the years in various foreign language institutes and workshops, our student and faculty exchange activities with Nanzan University and the University of Haifa, and our ongoing interest in overseas study programs seems to support the establishment of an administrative unit which could give greater visibility to our international activities and provide a focus for coordinating the several program elements enumerated above and others."

Obear pointed out that George Feeman, a committee member and chairperson of the Department of Mathematical Sciences, has a good understanding of the opportunities for international cooperation. Feeman is a liaison between OU and the AASCU Consortium on Science and Technology.

Eliezer notes that there has been a renewed interest by government agencies in international relations, in American foreign language capabilities, and in our abilities to understand foreign cultures.

The OU committee is examining what the university can contribute in areas of instruction, research, and service, including the possibility of scientific and technological aid to developing countries.

Major components of a proposed center would be the area studies programs, modern languages, and the sciences.

Eliezer is contacting members of the OU community to learn what capabilities exist in the various disciplines. He said the committee will look at programs at other institutions, study the needs on a local, state, and national level, and make recommendations to the provost. Those recommendations will then be forwarded to other administrative and governance groups in the university before they are advanced to the Board of Trustees, Obear said.

In addition to Eliezer and Feeman, committee members are Dave C. Aussicker, associate director, Center for General and Career Studies; Eleftherios Botsas, economics and management; Thomas W. Castevens, chairperson, Department of Political Science; Carlo Coppola, chairperson, Area Studies; Joel S. Fink, human and educational services; Nan K. Loh, engineering; and Jack R. Moeller, chairperson, Department of Modern Languages and Literature.

Tee time

The OU Golf League will officially begin Thursday, June 5, 1980, with tee-off times from 5:30 'til 6:00. This year's greens have been raised slightly to \$4.50 for nine holes.

There will be prizes each week and to cover these costs the league entry fee is \$15. Payment should be made at the Alumni Office, 119 North Foundation Hall. Checks should be payable to Oakland University. Payment is due prior to June 1.

Graduation requirements

Larry Bartalucci, registrar, reminds students who will complete requirements for a degree during the spring session that they are required to file an application for degree form no later than 4 p.m., Monday, May 12.

The application for degree forms are now available in the registrar's office in 161 NFH. These forms must be submitted to the cashier's office, 120 NFH, along with a \$10 application fee.

Bartalucci said students who apply for spring session degrees and meet all academic requirements will be honored at the September 14 commencement exercises along with the summer graduating class. Students with questions about the application and graduation requirements may call the registrar's office at 377-3450 or 377-3452.

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1980

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MAY 8

1 pm Men's Golf, Grand Valley State
8:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

FRIDAY, MAY 9

1 pm Men's Baseball—Ferris State
8:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

SATURDAY, MAY 10

10:30 am Men's Golf, Oakland Tourney
1 pm Men's Baseball, Grand Valley
6 & 9:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

SUNDAY, MAY 11

1 pm Men's Baseball, Toledo
1 pm Meadow Brook Hall Tours
6:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre
7 pm Singles Connection, St. John Fisher

MONDAY, MAY 12

2 pm Women's Golf, Northwood Institute

TUESDAY, MAY 13

2 pm Men's Baseball, Cleveland State
8:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

2 & 8:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

THURSDAY, MAY 15

7 pm Divorce & Separated Women's Group, St. John Fisher Chapel
8:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

FRIDAY, MAY 16

7:30 pm Singles II, St. John Fisher Chapel
8:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

SATURDAY, MAY 17

6 & 9:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

SUNDAY, MAY 18

1 to 5 pm Meadow Brook Hall Tours
3 pm Oakland Youth Symphony, Varner Recital Hall
6:30 pm "You Can't Take It With You," Meadow Brook Theatre

MONDAY and TUESDAY, MAY 19 and 20

No Events Scheduled

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

7:30 pm Board of Trustee, Lounge II, OC

For news of daily campus events, call the OU Hotline at 377-4650. To list items in the calendar contact CIPO 377-2020, two weeks prior to the event.
