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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FROM

THE OFFICE OF THE DEAN

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LINDENWOOD COLLEGE II

I. STUDENT BODY

A. Enrollment

Male enrollment now stands at 205 full-time students. We have 132 non-resident students and 73 resident students. In the fall there were 156 part-time males attending our Day and Evening Colleges. These figures are higher than those of the Spring Term of last year. Two-thirds of our entering Freshmen this year are in the upper half of their high school graduating class; one-ninth were in the upper tenth of their class. 60% received financial aid.

Applications for L.C. II are at the same level as last year at this time. The number of paid deposits from new resident students has decreased. Paid deposits from non-resident students are about the same as at this date last year. I think it is too early to predict whether or not we will have an enrollment increase for next September, especially in light of the large graduating class.

B. Academic performance

1. Freshmen

Analysis of the male Freshmen SAT and ACT scores reveals:

	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74
Verbal Mean	520	485	490
Math	521	461	490
ACT Composite:		21	

(70% of our male students scored above 21 for 1973-74 - the other 30% had scores below 21.)

2. Other classes

The composite G.P.A. for the Fall Term for Upperclassmen and Freshmen is as follows:

	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74
Seniors	2.74	3.15	3.13
Juniors	2.73	2.80	2.91
Sophomores	2.52	2.32	2.80
Freshmen	2.04	2.34	2.24
Over-all	2.38	2.57	2.69

II. RESIDENCE HALLS AND DISCIPLINARY PROBLEMS

We did not have as good a year with regard to disciplinary matters this year as we had last year. Our Judiciary Board did not hear any cases, but the Dean's Office did. We placed several students on Disciplinary Probation and also found it necessary to issue warnings to several others. I feel that dormitory government worked very well in Ayres Hall this year. This was not the case in Irwin, where we experienced an inordinately large amount of student-caused damage. We found it necessary to bill all the Irwin residents for this damage. I had a number of conferences concerning the damages in Irwin and I believe that the students will take the necessary actions to see that this does not happen in the future. Next year we will make it known that we will make every effort to determine the persons who caused the damage. In addition to making the guilty students pay for the damages we also will levy fines.

The Intervisitation Policy continues to run smoothly and our position to abandon Student Assistants sitting desks in the male dorms proved to be a proper one.

III. STUDENT GOVERNMENT

I continue to be concerned over the area of Student Government - more specifically, Student Government elections. Very few men run for office. This is especially true of non-resident students, even though we have made a special effort to encourage non-resident students to seek office. Again, for next year most of the Student Government leaders will reside in Irwin Hall. In spite of the student apathy, the Community Manager, together with the Student Life Committee of the male College, performed their duties quite effectively for this year.

IV. GRADUATING CLASS AND ALUMNI

It appears that 51 male students will graduate this year. This

represents L.C. II's largest graduating class.

We made considerable strides in the establishment of our Alumni Association. We have established an Alumni Advisory Committee. This Committee, together with the Dean and the present Senior Class Officers, arranged an Alumni Day on May 4. The events included a business meeting in the morning, a picnic and beer-ballgame in the afternoon, a supper at the Western Lounge, followed by a rather large party at the Scarlet Queen Lounge. Attendance was fairly good; spirits were high; and a good time was had by all. I believe that this organization has now made a small beginning and we hope that it will grow in size and enthusiasm.

IV. THE L.C. II CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

This Committee continues to function in the development of career-oriented liberal arts programs. A good deal of the Committee's energies are expended in the evaluation of Practicum credit, Internships, and Field Studies for The Lindenwood Colleges. Student interest in these experiences continues to grow at a very rapid rate. The L.C. II Curriculum Committee, together with the Curriculum Committee of Lindenwood College for Women, is presently considering the Contract Degree Program option. This program would enable students working with Faculty Advisers to design programs to meet specific needs of students. These programs are not in traditional liberal arts areas, nor would such programs be available at the Colleges at this time. I believe my next report to you will include a more complete description of this program.

V. SPORTS

Our four varsity sports--soccer, baseball, tennis, and basketball--continue to draw students. Recently our Basketball Coach resigned, and I am

presently in the process of interviewing candidates for the position.

Our teams are also beginning to win. For example, our basketball team had a 12 and 13 record; currently our tennis team is 5 and 5. As you know, we play our home games in basketball at the Jefferson Jr. High School gym. I hope this arrangement can be worked out for next year.

As you all know, you authorized me to establish an Athletic Advisory Committee to make recommendations to the Board concerning our athletic program. The committee met on several occasions and I believe has carried out the original charge of the Board. The committee's recommendations will be discussed at this meeting.

In my report last year I referred to the 1972-73 year as a year of "stabilizing" for L.C. II. I believe that we are continuing to find our direction and defining our programs. "Growing pains" appear to have subsided and I optimistically look forward to years of growth. Such optimism is reinforced by the acquisition of Mr. Edward Gorsky as our Director of Admissions. However, well defined goals and mission of the Colleges will take place with the installation of a new President.

I was somewhat encouraged by the academic performance of the males this year. I continue to be concerned about the academic performance of our Freshmen. I look forward to the College attracting increasing numbers of well motivated students.

I wish again on behalf of all of those of L.C. II to express our sincere thanks to Mrs. Dorothy Irvine for the many things she does for L.C. II.

Personally, I continue to find the position of Dean of L.C. II, Chairman of the Biology Department, and Professor of Biology challenging, and, for the most part, very rewarding. It is my intention to continue to serve the Lindenwood Colleges in these capacities.