1967 - Enabling legislation.

Background:

1965 - Legislature created the Temporary Advisory Council on Public Higher Education to study, among other matters, the need for an additional four-year college and possible locations (response to November, 1964 recommendation of Council of Presidents).

1965-66 - TACPHE (assisted by Nelson Associates) study, ending in affirmative on new college, with location in Thurston County (10-mile radius of Olympia).

August 30, 1967 - Governor Evans held first organizational meeting of trustees.

December 1, 1967 - Site selected from 21 choices.

December 15, 1967 - Full-time executive assistant to trustees.

Study presidential search procedures, set up procedure appropriate to Evergreen (model) Help engage consultants.

Purchasing, payroll procedures.

Begin budget work.

Collect information for Board.

March, 1968 - Master plan consultants chosen.

Joint venture architect-engineers (design criteria, facilities location). Educational program consultants (gross facilities requirements).

August, 1968 - President chosen (began duties November, 1968).

Fall, 1968

Academic advisory committee chosen.

Final review of site development plan, and change before decision to "go." Library planning (conferences).

Winter-Spring, 1969

Advisory committee - goals.

Study possible modes of faculty time uses, given assumed level of funding and possible approaches as considered by advisory committee.

Analysis of computer needs begun: academic, administrative, business-finance. Student housing, food services conferences.

Recruiting - (1) facilities, (2) library, (3) vice president for business (filled from within), (4) vice president and provost, (5) executive vice president, (6) computer

Summer-Fall, 1969

Above people arrive in order numbered.

Discussions: How goals (understood by people here now) bear specifically upon continuing development of operations systems and further recruiting.

Site purchase completed.

Site clearing and excavation begin.

Recreation facilities conference.

Winter-Spring, 1970

Site clearing ends.

Construction begins, Phase I.

Recruiting "deans" - who, as soon as identified, assist in recruiting faculty.

Science facilities conference.

Admissions planning.

Facilities planning, Phase II.

Summer, 1970 - Summer, 1971

Recruit second half of operating faculty.

Final operations systems.

Detailed academic planning (subject options, student: instructor, laboratory, library contacts).

Fall, 1971 - Open.

CONTINUING: Operating systems

Facilities planning

Recruiting

Academic planning