THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE
Recreation, Wellness and Athletics
February 3, 1994

MEMORANDUM

TO: Art Costantino
   Vice President for Student Affairs

FROM: The Members of the Basketball DTF

SUBJECT: Recommendations of the 1992-1993 Basketball DTF

Primary Recommendation:

The undersigned members of the Basketball DTF unanimously recommend that The Evergreen State College begin plans for competing in intercollegiate basketball in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) with the following stipulations:

1. That there be two teams; one for women, the other for men.

2. That the sport be able to sustain itself financially.

3. That no state general fund money be allocated directly for intercollegiate basketball.

4. That a prospectus relative to our plans be developed by the Director of Recreation, Wellness and Athletics, which could be used by Admissions and by the Athletics staff to market our basketball program.

5. That coaches be hired on at least a part time basis in the year 1994-1995, so that adequate recruiting and marketing can be accomplished in preparation for the actual competitive season which would be during the academic year 1995-1996.

6. That the Director of Recreation, Wellness and Athletics review the program annually and along with the undersigned, make a determination relative to continuing the program at the end of four years of operation.
Rationale For Recommendation:

The undersigned considered the following issues in arriving at their recommendations:

1. The results of the survey conducted by the DTF during the 1992-1993 academic school year had limited response and left no clear mandate either positively or negatively; however, there was slightly more support than opposition to the concept of entering into intercollegiate basketball.

2. That the introduction of basketball would build bridges between college and community.

3. That inclusion of basketball into the program would be of definite benefit towards enhancing the cultural diversity of the campus.

4. That it was conceivable at the time of this writing for the college to generate sufficient revenue to place the sport of basketball on a self sustaining budget.

5. That the gymnasium was adequate if not excellent for competing in intercollegiate basketball.

6. Members of the DTF have pledged themselves to continuing to assist in the development of off campus sponsorship.

7. Members of the DTF express gratitude and support to the members of the Tuition Waiver committee for their unanimous decision to award tuition waivers to intercollegiate athletes, including the possibility of basketball, should we desire to get into it. It was the rationale of the Tuition Waiver committee that intercollegiate athletics represents a positive impact on the campus community and the community at large, and that basketball would be a fine addition.

Unanimously Signed:

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