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Diary Part 3.

# WORKPLAN

## Alexander Spivakovsky



**Home University:** Kherson State University  
**Host University:** Eastern Washington University



October, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ Meeting with the Vice-President on Enrollment Services **Lawrence Briggs**.



October, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ *The questions for the interview had been prepared by the Dean of the Faculty of Pre-University Training, general secretary of the Admission Committee of KSU **Elvira Fatieieva**. First of all she was interested in the entrance exam for the prospective university students in American universities and whether their results influence the choice of the Admission Committee.*
- ❖ *Vice President Lawrence Briggs told that this year the Eastern Washington University received a lot of applications for the admission to the university (about 5000 person).*
- ❖ *EWU has chosen 3800 best applications, but only 1700 prospective university students can study at Eastern Washington University.*
- ❖ *On the University admission in America the average grade point after school is counted as well as the results of the national testing.*
- ❖ *EWU holds interviews with foreign applicants to establish the legacy of the documents and also choose the field of study, their major.*
- ❖ *The Eastern Washington University has own student's base access.*



October, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ Participation in the **meeting of the Executive Committee** of the President of Eastern Washington University



October, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ *During the Executive Committee Meeting several questions were discussed. These were:*
- ❖ *the Board of Trustees November agenda;*
- ❖ *new rules for parking on campus during football matches etc.*
- ❖ *During the meeting there was presented a project of a new stadium of the Eastern Washington University.*
- ❖ *Vice President for University Advancement and Foundation Executive Director **Michael Westfall** told about a variety of fundings for this project. The estimated cost of the new stadium is more than 70 million dollars.*



October, 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

### ❖ Visiting the Academic Systems Advisory Committee

- *The Academic Systems Advisory Committee (ASAC) advises the Office of Information Technology (OIT) and Academic Affairs (AA) on the standards, guidelines, policies, and planning that supports the use of technological resources to enhance the quality of teaching and learning, research, and other scholarly activities; develop and review academic technology; advise on priorities for academic technology initiatives; provide a forum for investigation and advises on new teaching and learning technologies; and facilitates communications regarding academic teaching and learning initiatives.*



October, 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

### **Meeting Agenda**

*10/17/2012, 3:00pm-5:00pm, Huston Hall Rm. 219*

- 1. Welcome Ben Meredith*
- 2. Planning for Fall Quarter Faculty Forum*
- 3. EagleNet concerns from the Faculty Senate on 10/8/2012*
- 4. Takeaways/suggestions from 2012 Teaching and Technology Boot Camp*
- 5. Discussion with visiting scholar Alexander Spivakovskiy*
- 6. Proposed topics for October 31st*
  - Lowering textbook costs through eTextbooks*
  - Improving technology (laptops) for Riverpoint campus*

October, 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ Visiting the Washington State University (Seattle) together with **Gary L. Pratt**



*World Class. Face to Face.*





October, 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ *I have seen the WSU advanced technologies for studying medicine – classrooms, test laboratories where students work with computerized dummies etc.*
- ❖ *I have also seen the advanced equipment that enable to teach students as well as 20 multimedia classes that are employed not only for inner students of **EWU** and for students from distant places.*
- ❖ *I have also been impressed by the room for tests passing in real conditions without teachers' and lecturers' participation.*
- ❖ *A **special system of recording** enables the lecturer to estimate the students' success.*



October, 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ *WSU & EWU have firm contacts and cooperate in many spheres. At WSU there is a wide range of MA and PhD programs, that is why a lot of **EWU** bachelor students prefer to continue their studying at WSU.*



October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ Meeting with **Dr. Linda Kieffer**, Vice Provost on Academic Administration



October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ ***Linda Kiefer** described the structure of EWU study courses, and the peculiarities of the education system in the United States. In the U.S. universities, and in EWU in particular, there are no academic groups like in Ukraine. The students of all ages and different study courses are integrated in educational groups, that allows them to choose subjects for study, and, of course, creates all the conditions for the development of their educational background.*
- ❖ *In addition, American students have to thoroughly work on their own - in libraries, educational laboratories and in campus. Special student body, the so-called “helpdesk”, was created by students of EWU in order to help groupmates in particular study courses. EWU Administration has positive attitude towards this kind of assistance and even pays the students involved in the process of teaching in «**helpdesk**».*
- ❖ ***Linda Kiefer** also shared the problems that exist among American students. The first one is the classes skipping. But the EWU Administration is trying to overcome this problem. Students of the U.S. Universities are involved not only in the academic process, but also live a full campus life and have to find time both for leisure, and educational activities.*



October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ Meeting with **David Buri**, Director of Government Relations



# October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ ***Dave Buri*** is responsible for the submission of the applications for financial assistance from the government of Washington State.
- ❖ He told in details about the structure of the EWU budget.
- ❖ The Director of Government Relations told that the State government can allocate money for various needs of the University: for capital facilities (such as a new stadium in Eastern Washington University) for urgent needs and payments for cultural events organized for students and teacher staff etc.
- ❖ This year, in particular, the State Washington government gave EWU about 65 million dollars for operational needs and about 69 million dollars for new EWU stadium construction.



October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ *I, in turn, told **David Buri** about the budget structure of Ukrainian higher educational establishments and areas of funding from the Ministry of Education and Science, Youth and Sports of Ukraine.*
- ❖ *What is more, we have discussed the prospectives of the new mutual KSU and EWU project for ICT strategic plan realization due to IREX Organization.*



October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ Meeting with Academic Board and CIO

## Description

- ❖ *During two hours I was presenting Kherson State University, taking part in the discussion of responsibility divisions share at CIO and academic department.*





October, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

## Activity

- ❖ *I was present at a short **meeting** devoted to further CIO Strategic Plan Development.*

## Description

- ❖ *The short fragment of the Meeting is revealed in video-file.*



October, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

## Activity

### ❖ The Senate Meeting Participation



# October, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

## Description

### Senate Meeting Agenda

- |       |   |
|-------|---|
| 3:00  | 1. Call to Order  |
| 3: 05 | 2. Approval of Consent Agenda including: Senate Minutes May 14, 2012. |
| 3:10  | 3. Additions/Changes to Agenda  |
| 3:10  | 4. Committee of the Whole   |
|       | a. Legislative Liaison Report   |
|       | b. Shared Governance  |
| 3:20  | 5. Administrative Reports   |
| 3:40  | 6. Associated Students Report   |
| 3:45  | 7. Chair's Report   |
| 3:50  | 8. UFE Report   |
| 3:55  | 9. Council Elections/Selections/Confirmations                         |
|       | a. Vince Pascal, Management – Graduate Affairs Council                |
| 3:57  | 10. Information Items   |
|       | a. Q2S Update   |
|       | b. Veteran's Resource Center  |
| 4:35  | 11. Unfinished Business   |
| 4:35  | 12. New Business  |
|       | a. Student Success and Retention                                      |
| 4:55  | 13. Good of the Order   |
| 5:00  | 14. Adjournment   |

# October, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

## Description

- ❖ *In fact, I may identify the **Senate Meeting** as the analogue of our **Scientific Council Meeting**.*
- ❖ *Still there are some differences.*
- ❖ *For example, the Head of the Senate is not the University President.*
- ❖ *What is more, neither the President nor the Vice-Provosts have the right to vote.*
- ❖ *They just participate in the Meeting without constituent power.*
- ❖ *Vice-President on for University Advancement and Foundation **Michael J. Westfall** presented the project of EWU stadium reconstruction (the total cost is appr. 69 ml.\$).*
- ❖ *The Senate voted positively for this issue.*
- ❖ ***Dr. Gary L. Pratt** presented the new project - My EWU Portal.*
- ❖ *The Senate voted positively for this issue.*



### What is the MyEWU Portal (my.ewu.edu)?

MyEWU is Eastern's Web portal that provides improved and personalized access to online, internal Eastern information and Web services for faculty, staff and students.

When you log into MyEWU, you take advantage of technology known as "single sign-on," which provides you with direct access to other Eastern IT services and resources such as EagleNET, Blackboard and others with a single log in!

MyEWU also provides targeted just-for-you information via modules known as "channels" in an easy-to-read format that you can customize.

### What's in it for me?

MyEWU will be the new entry point to multiple EWU applications and content based on your role at Eastern. In addition to centralized access customized for your personal use, MyEWU will eventually integrate and aggregate content from frequently used Eastern websites.

#### Other benefits include:

- Fewer logins: Single-sign on to a seamless Eastern environment
- Enhancements to a personalized user-friendly education experience
- Targeted content and messaging, allowing for the delivery of the right information to the right people at the right time
- Improved business processes, collaboration and connectivity
- Promotion of the Eastern brand name
- Improved campus-wide employee service
- Flexibility in unifying, extending and managing Eastern's digital campus

### Rollout Schedule

MyEWU Beta initially launched in June of 2012. A formal rollout of the portal is planned for the start of fall quarter 2012.

### Who's Been Involved?

**The Portal Steering Committee:** Larry Briggs, Shannon Carr, LeeAnn Case, Teresa Conway, David Dean, Toni Habegger, Jeff Healy, Erick Keating, Linda Kieffer, Trent Lutey, Erin Morgan, Gary Pratt, Jo Rogers and Mike Westfall

**Portal Project Team:** Sam Buzby, Mike Childress, Patrice Fournier, Kit Frantzich, John Gasper, Erick Keating, John Kissack and Lesli Younger

**A Special Thanks to:** Pilot Teams

### Student Feedback

"It has been very difficult to keep track of all the ID names and different passwords, but you have fixed this problem. I really enjoyed using EWU portal. I think it was very easy to use and everything was there. Overall you did a great job!" - **Olga**

"I really like being able to customize the portal to what I use most often." - **Barbara**

"I found the site to be super convenient, as it is a 'one stop' for many of the EWU applications that students are required to access daily." - **La Saechao**

"I think that it is a great way to be able to see all of the important items that a student would need without having to go to separate websites." - **John**





Thank you  
for attention!



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