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Roger Williams Junior College

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE COLLEGE CORPORATION

January 18, 1966

This, our records would indicate, is the 12th annual Report of the President to the Corporation of Roger Williams Junior College. While much of the material that it contains has already been presented to you in detail during the past year, I feel that it still merits a brief review at this meeting.

ENROLLMENT

The ten-year comparative enrollment figures shown in Appendix A will appeal particularly to the statistically minded, but a few facts of interest can be gleaned from it and the Fall, 1965 geographical breakdown in Appendix B.

(1) While there has been a slow but steady decline in evening enrollment (we started in 1919 as an evening college and for many years were a predominantly evening one), the full-time day enrollment shows an overall increase of 683% and an average increase of 7% per year during the 10-year period covered.

(2) The most dramatic increase started in 1960 when the first of two present Liberal Arts programs (then called General Studies) was instituted.

(3) Despite the fact that the first of the State junior colleges opened in 1964 with a subsidized tuition of \$200, our day enrollment rose sharply that year and has risen even more substantially this year.

(4) Although figures were not readily available for the years 1956 to 1960, it is to be noted that there has been since that time a steady increase in the number and percentage of women students. This, again, can be credited in large part to the two Liberal Arts programs, and it is expected that it will rise even more sharply when we are on our own residential campus.

(5) Engineering programs hold about steady (though it is hoped that the new cooperative "work-study" program will provide some future increase), and Business Administration shows a slight increase in demand. But once again it is the Liberal Arts programs that have made the largest contribution to our recent sharp increase in full-time day enrollment.

(6) The great majority of our students still come to us from Rhode Island cities and towns within commuting distance of Providence. (See Appendix B). With the opening of new freeways, however, there is a definite increase to be noted in the number of commuting students from nearby Massachusetts. Since the State junior college cannot by law accept students residing outside of Rhode Island, therefore, these communities will be the object of concentrated recruiting attention for 1966-67 and 1967-68.

(7) Limited housing in private homes without direct college supervision was made available this year, with the result that, as shown in Appendix B, we have "residential" students from seven other states as well as from Rhode Island and Massachusetts areas beyond easy commuting distance.

(8) Some obvious attention must be given to making our evening offerings more attractive or competitive if the Evening College is to survive. This will involve a study of both evening degree offerings and individual evening course offerings, and may even necessitate the appointment of a full time director to reorganize and promote the Evening College.

## CURRICULUM

The current degree offerings are under continuing study and evaluation to make them even more valuable to both terminal and transfer students, and other areas are being explored in which additional degree programs might be offered.

In Liberal Arts, several new courses such as English Literature have been introduced, and honors seminars have been added in Humanities and Political Science as a start toward our expanding role as an experimental college.

The unique new "work-study" program in Engineering is another experiment that is attracting a special type of terminal student and bringing the College to the favorable attention of industry leaders whose most urgent need seems to be for semi-professional technicians with a two-year engineering education.

The faculty at large is also involved in a continuing study of areas where Roger Williams might provide a real service not already being provided by other four-year institutions as we move toward the possibility of offering a four-year as well as a two-year degree. Authorization was voted at the 1965 meeting of the Corporation to request permission of the State Board of Education to (1) drop the word "Junior" from our corporate name and (2) grant the Baccalaureate as well as the Associate degree. When and how this would be done was left to the discretion of the Executive Committee, but though the matter has been studied the time to implement the move is not yet ripe.

Note should also be made of the impact of the unique new "Introduction to College" program which was offered the past year for the first time in our Summer Sessions. This and the offering of Summer College subjects in the daytime as well as the evening were successful even beyond our hopes.

## ACCREDITATION

As a step toward full regional accreditation, we have been granted status as a "Recognized Candidate for Accreditation" by the regional accrediting body, the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

This candidacy status cannot, under Association rules, be publicized in print in our College Catalog or other literature, but it permits us to attend the Association meetings where we can be both seen and heard, and to receive all literature of the Association whose members at both the college and secondary levels are fully aware of our conditional acceptance.

Furthermore, it happily fulfills the requirements set down by the Federal government for grant and loan applications, and we are also hopeful that some of the national foundations will also accept our "Recognized Candidacy" in lieu of the full accreditation which they usually require of grant applicants.

We have five years in which to achieve the standards for full accreditation, and are confident that we can achieve them once we are on our own campus with an adequate library and certain other physical facilities. Meanwhile, our "Recognized Candidacy" status is already proving helpful with high school guidance counselors, with four-year institutions to which our graduates wish to transfer, and even with prospective employers of our graduates who show an increasing preference for graduates of fully accredited colleges.

We are also pleased to report that when Dr. Ralph A. Burns, the Director of Evaluation of the Association, visited us in late December and talked with a number of our administrators and myself, he indicated to me his considerable surprise at the degree of progress that we have made toward meeting Association standards in less than a year since achieving Candidacy status.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

As reported to you earlier, three new administrative posts were created and filled at the beginning of the current academic year. Dr. Anthony J. Salatino was appointed Dean of the College, Mr. Barrie G. Phelps was appointed Director of Admissions, and Mr. Edwin F. Hallenbeck was appointed Director of Planning and Development. Mr. Phelps is currently also a member of the English faculty, while Mr. Hallenbeck divides his time between the College and Kent, Cruise & Associates where he serves as an educational consultant.

Mr. Herbert Fine, Chairman of the Division of Business Administration, has also taken over the post of Registrar to succeed Mr. Albert F. Cushing; Mr. Anthony Parisi, former Business Office Manager, is now Acting Business Manager; and Mr. Lyle A. Rawlinson, former Bursar, is now Acting Business Office Manager.

Mr. Everett B. Nelson, in addition to his many other duties as Assistant to the President and Director of Public Relations, has been asked to serve as Acting Director Student Housing, and has already submitted to the President's office a proposed plan for housing out-of-state students in the YWCA and the Crown Hotel for the coming two years until we can move to our future Bristol campus site with on-campus living facilities.

#### FACULTY

The Roger Williams faculty is currently at an all-time high of 29 full-time and 23 part-time instructors. Many of the latter teach in the Evening College, but a number of them have been assigned late afternoon classes in subjects where the 200-odd increase in daytime students necessitated the last-minute opening of additional class sections.

In line with our move toward full regional accreditation, full-time faculty members are being encouraged to complete advanced degrees. Toward this end, the Board of Trustees has approved the recommendation of the Personnel Committee that the College contribute at the rate of \$10 per semester hour for courses successfully completed toward such an advanced degree.

In addition to the appointments of Chairmen of the Business Administration, Engineering and Liberal Arts Divisions, and of the English and Mathematics Departments, as noted in the 1965-66 catalog, Mr. Charles Jungwirth has also been appointed Chairman of Biology and Mr. Lee L. Verstandig has been appointed Chairman of History and Political Science.

#### CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

Under the able chairmanship of Mr. Gerald W. Harrington, the Building Committee of the Trustees has worked long and mightily to achieve, with our campus architects, a waterfront residential campus that will truly exemplify the educational ideals of Roger Williams Junior College and its hoped-for successor, Roger Williams COLLEGE. It is also expected that it will be one of the means of attracting a growing body of students who, it is hoped, will in time hail from all over the country and even the world.

The College owes much to Mr. Harrington and the members of his fine committee - Mr. Alvin Anderson, Mr. Roswell Bosworth, Mrs. Marshall Fulton, Mr. Alex Hirst and Mr. Arthur Sweeney - for the tremendous time and energy that they have contributed to our goal of making our campus in historic Bristol one of the most attractive and exciting campuses in America.

#### GIFTS AND GRANTS

You are all aware, I am sure, that we have already received through the United States Office of Education an outright grant of \$372,552 toward our Library, and we are looking forward to receiving another grant of \$334,608 toward our Math-Science Building which has received the preliminary approval of the Rhode Island Commission for Higher Education Facilities.

We are naturally encouraged by this governmental recognition of our needs and our educational service, and also by the gratifying number of gifts which have been received from private sources during the past year for endowment, for campus land and buildings, for instructional equipment and for unrestricted educational purposes. Certain of these gifts have been made by previous donors to the College, but it is significant of our growing impact on the community that several of them - including an unrestricted five-figure gift - have come to us this past year from "first-time" benefactors.

Many of these gifts are worthy of note both as to size and to source, but I should like to single out two from within the "college family" as being especially significant as expressions of faith in our future. One was a sizeable gift from Trustee and Mrs. Earl H. Bradley toward an as yet unspecified campus building and made in the hope that other Trustees and Corporation members will make similar commitments within their personal or corporate means. The other was the surprise gift of \$5000 from the Student Council, made toward the Student Center in the name of our current students who will never, as undergraduates, have the opportunity to use and enjoy it.

#### FINANCIAL PICTURE

As can be seen from the financial statements appended to this Report (Exhibits I and II), the College appears to be in a rather healthy financial state. Most of the surplus which has been built up through careful management, however, will have to be earmarked as a supplement to government grants, government loans and short-term non-government loans in order to complete the financing of the various buildings in Phase I of campus construction.

It is our earnest hope that, with the help and support of every member of our Board of Trustees and College Corporation, we can interest major gift sources in the community in making sizeable gifts toward these various buildings and, eventually, toward the Fine Arts and Physical Education Centers planned for Phase II of campus construction.

#### NEW TRUSTEES AND CORPORATION MEMBERS

I cannot conclude even so brief a report as this without extending a hearty welcome to twenty-two new distinguished members of our College Corporation. It is a source of real gratification that membership chairman J. Harold Williams was so astute in his choice of new Corporation prospects, and that almost without exception those who were asked agreed to serve.

All five of our Rhode Island counties plus the nearby Massachusetts area we currently serve are now most ably represented on our Corporation by business, professional and civic leaders that any college would be proud to have in its official family. And I know you all join me in extending a special welcome to the three charming ladies who are here tonight as the very first representatives of the distaff side ever to serve our College as Corporation members.

Mr. Ahlborg, Mr. Brown, Admiral Carlson, Mr. Chatterton, Mr. DeBlois, Mr. DuRocher, Mr. Elder, Mrs. Fulton, Mr. Harper, Mr. William Harrington, Mr. House, Dr. Kershaw, Mr. Little, Mr. Lowe, Mrs. Moses, Judge Murray, Mr. Rector, Mr. Suttell, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Utter, Mr. Walsh, and Mr. Wheelock, I bid you welcome!

FULL-TIME DAY ENROLLMENT

	<u>FALL</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1957</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1958</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1959</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1960</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1961</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1962</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1964</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1965</u>
Men .....	98	128	154	181	250	288	314	347	516	703
Women .....	2	1	5	7	16	23	31	45	56	80
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>783</b>
Accounting (Dropped 1957)....	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Business Administration .....	8	9	15	26	67	66	66	63	138	192
Engineering .....	40	51	41	60	92	63	65	85	110	102
Liberal Arts (started 1960)..	---	---	---	---	105	136	149	141	314	456
Pre-College (Dropped 1960)...	46	61	99	96	---	---	---	---	---	---
Special or Unclassified.....	4	3	4	6	2	44	65	103	5	33

~~FULL~~-TIME EVENING ENROLLMENT

	<u>FALL</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1957</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1958</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1959</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1960</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1961</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1962</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1964</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1965</u>
Men.....	204	212	173	179	126	152	134	137	122	118
Women.....	7	3	2	9	13	12	13	10	10	6
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>124</b>
Accounting (Dropped 1960)....	10	6	3	3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Business Administration.....	29	26	22	22	21	23	15	12	10	10
Engineering.....	68	79	72	68	82	57	69	78	70	68
Liberal Arts (Started 1960)..	---	---	---	---	16	33	22	34	50	28
Pre-College (Dropped 1960)...	87	85	61	77	---	---	---	---	---	---
Special or Unclassified.....	17	19	17	18	20	51	41	23	2	18

TOTAL DAY AND EVENING ENROLLMENT

	<u>FALL</u> <u>1956</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1957</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1958</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1959</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1960</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1961</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1962</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1964</u>	<u>FALL</u> <u>1965</u>
Men.....	302	335	327	360	376	438	448	484	638	821
Women.....	9	4	7	16	29	35	44	55	66	86
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>704</b>	<b>907</b>
Accounting.....	12	6	3	3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Business Administration.....	37	35	37	48	88	89	81	75	148	202
Engineering.....	108	130	113	128	174	120	134	163	180	260
Liberal Arts.....	---	---	---	---	121	169	171	175	369	484
Pre-College.....	133	146	160	173	---	---	---	---	---	---
Special or Unclassified.....	21	22	21	24	22	95	106	126	7	37

## Roger Williams Junior College

## FALL 1965 ENROLLMENT BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE

RHODE ISLAND

Barrington .....	34
Bristol .....	12
Warren.....	7
Coventry .....	12
East Greenwich .....	22
Warwick.....	97
West Greenwich .....	0
West Warwick .....	10
Jamestown .....	2
Little Compton .....	0
Middletown .....	10
Newport .....	22
Portsmouth .....	7
Tiverton .....	7
Burrillville .....	2
Central Falls .....	7
Cranston .....	94
Cumberland .....	13
East Providence .....	53
Foster .....	1
Gloicester .....	2
Johnston .....	20
Lincoln .....	16
North Providence .....	36
North Smithfield .....	7
Pawtucket .....	50
Providence .....	135
Scituate .....	8
Smithfield .....	12
Woonsocket .....	24
Charlestown .....	0
Exeter .....	0
Hopkinton .....	1
Narragansett .....	8
New Shoreham .....	0
North Kingstown .....	14
Richmond .....	0
South Kingstown .....	5
Westerly .....	4
Bristol County .....	53
Kent County .....	142
Newport County .....	48
Providence County .....	490
Washington County .....	32

MASSACHUSETTS

Acushnet .....	1
Attleboro .....	11
Blackstone .....	2
Dighton .....	1
Fall River .....	50
Franklin .....	1
Hyannis .....	1
Mansfield .....	1
Middleboro .....	1
Millville .....	1
New Bedford .....	5
Norfolk .....	1
North Attleboro .....	7
Plainville .....	1
Rehoboth .....	4
Seekonk .....	13
Somerset .....	9
South Attleboro .....	10
South Weymouth .....	1
Springfield .....	2
Swansea .....	2
Taunton .....	3

OTHER

Connecticut .....	3
Hawaii .....	1
New Hampshire .....	1
New Jersey .....	3
New York .....	2
Vermont .....	1
Virginia .....	1

Rhode Island .....	765
Massachusetts .....	128
Other .....	14
GRAND TOTAL .....	907



ROGER WILLIAMS JUNIOR COLLEGE  
BALANCE SHEET

	<u>Assets</u>	<u>August 31,</u>	
		<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
Current assets:			
Cash		\$ 2,315	\$ 22,373
Cash in savings accounts and cooperative banks		9,906	15,472
Accounts receivable from students			2,484
Inventories of books and supplies, at cost		37,136	23,526
Prepaid insurance		368	211
Total current assets		49,725	64,066
Loans receivable from students -			
Due after one year		33,545	23,306
Land - Future campus site		202,268	43,030
Equipment and improvements to property, at cost		102,529	101,546
		\$388,067	\$231,948

Liabilities and Fund Balances

Current liabilities:			
5% unsecured note payable to a bank		\$ 20,333	\$ 5,750
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		20,896	13,502
Student tuition and other deposits		7,832	30,594
Total current liabilities		49,061	49,846
Current fund balance		187,683	73,158
National Defense Student Loan Fund		34,761	25,900
Amounts invested in plant and campus sites (less \$178,221 in 1965 and \$68,316 in 1964 owing to current fund)		106,243	70,510
Plant fund		992	7,489
Land fund		602	883
Student activity fund		3,202	1,308
Endowment fund		2,311	2,186
Other loan fund		3,212	668
		339,006	182,102
		\$388,067	\$231,948

ROGER WILLIAMS JUNIOR COLLEGE  
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND CURRENT FUND BALANCE

	<u>Year ended August 31,</u>	
	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
Income:		
Tuition	\$414,767	\$265,146
Fees and other school income	23,823	17,351
Auxiliary enterprises, less expenses of \$48,598 in 1965 and \$30,480 in 1964)	7,011	1,474
Miscellaneous income	1,213	2,313
	<u>446,814</u>	<u>386,284</u>
Expenses:		
Instruction	170,152	145,789
Plant operation	36,819	34,872
General administration	25,333	16,728
Dean's office	16,822	16,350
Business manager's office	13,588	12,993
Registrar's office	16,468	13,335
Director of student welfare	9,095	8,606
General institutional expenses	12,729	12,008
Library	7,153	7,489
Director of public relations	19,019	14,374
Miscellaneous	1,731	1,864
	<u>328,909</u>	<u>284,408</u>
Excess of income over expenses	117,905	1,876
Transfers to other funds	3,380	1,000
Excess of income over expenses and transfers	114,525	876
Current fund balance at:		
Beginning of year	73,158	72,282
End of year	<u>\$187,683</u>	<u>\$ 73,158</u>