

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
of the  
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Held at UW-Eau Claire in Davies Center  
Friday, October 5, 2001  
9:00 a.m.

## **COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, MEMORIALS**

Presenting Resolution 8461, Regent Randall noted that the Milwaukee community has lost a person who was deeply loved and highly regarded for her service to the state and her community.

Resolution 8461 was adopted by acclamation.

### **Memorial Resolution for Edith Finlayson**

Resolution 8461:           Whereas, Edith Norman Finlayson was a champion of social justice and humanity for more than five decades, a health care professional trained and graduated from the Meharry Medical College of Nursing in Nashville, Tennessee; Edith Norman Finlayson's dynamic style and ability to influence the fields of education, business, health, women's and children's issues, minority affairs, philanthropy, fundraising, and politics gave her the ability to influence lives of children and families, and

Whereas, as a community leader who dedicated her life to others, she shifted her focus from nursing to volunteerism which made a substantial mark on the community; the breadth of her services was unparalleled; and

Whereas, Edith Norman Finlayson was appointed to the Board of Regents by Governor Lee Dreyfus and served from 1980-1987; and

Whereas, she chaired the Board's Education Committee and was instrumental in championing enhancement of UW-Milwaukee's doctoral programs and was instrumental in establishing the Leon Sullivan Distinguished Professorship at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; and

Whereas, she was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Public Service Degree by UW-Milwaukee in 1988; and

Whereas, Edith Norman Finlayson's interest in national and international issues led to her participation as a Founding Member of the National Organization for Women (NOW) and a Board Member of AWARE, a Wisconsin African Relief Effort; and

Whereas, Edith Norman Finlayson served as Board Chairman of the Milwaukee Foundation and used her knowledge and experience to nurture the community and organizations to champion the Foundation's interest in ensuring diversity in the organizations it supported; and

Whereas, with the death of Edith Norman Finlayson, September 19, 2001;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Board of Regents acknowledge the life long work of Edith Norman Finlayson and her commitment to peace, love and humanity worldwide.

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## **CLOSED SESSION**

The meeting was recessed at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon, at which time the following resolution, moved by Regent Randall, was adopted on a unanimous roll-call vote, with Regents Axtell, Boyle, Brandes, Burmaster, Gottschalk, Jones,