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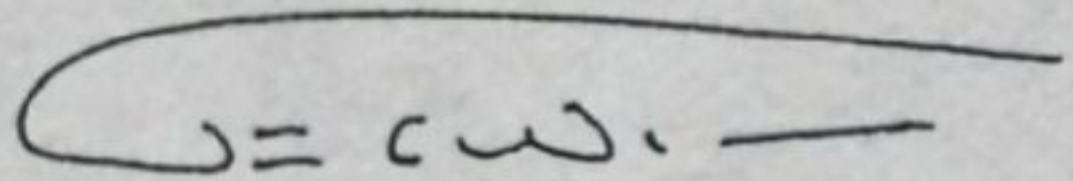
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VICE CHANCELLOR
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MEMORANDUM

School of Art
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TO: Dr. Marlene Springer
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

FROM: Erwin Hester
Acting Dean 

DATE: October 25, 1990

SUBJECT: Mission Review

In a special meeting on October 10, 1990, the Executive Council of the School of Art unanimously passed the following resolution:

In the light of our already having a terminal degree in many areas, we [should] continue to strengthen our existing programs such as video, computer arts, et cetera, rather than introduce any new majors at this time.

The Mission Review had been discussed in several meetings of the Executive Council, and I believe that this motion reflects a carefully considered and appropriate judgment. It is also consistent with the current priorities in the School of Art. A significant portion of our returnable funds went to enhance our video resources this year, and we are seeking funding from the new student computer fees to upgrade our computer lab. We are also considering a one-hour course in basic computer use to be required of all art majors.

At the same time, it is impossible to predict, over a ten-year period, changes in directions that may occur because of priorities of a new dean, shifts in interests of the faculty, new technologies, and changes in the discipline itself. However, one other area that was mentioned frequently as a potential major is photography. Should a major be developed in this area, it would require at least one additional faculty member and some new equipment such as a 4" X 5" large format camera. Our present darkroom space is adequate; consequently, no building renovations would be necessary. We estimate that with less than \$5,000 in new equipment we could begin a program in commercial photography.

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