The University Relations Committee's charge includes advising the administration on policy matters relating to University Relations, reporting matters of concern in this broad area to the Faculty Senate and maintaining liaison with schools, colleges and divisions to insure coordination of University Relations programs.

The Committee held seven meetings during 1987-88. Members reviewed the discussions and correspondence between the 1986-87 University Relations Committee and Chancellor Smith recommending the establishment of a Distinguished Lecturer Series at UWM. (This recommendation also received the support of the Lectures Committee.) There was strong support for setting up a lecture series, which members believe would enhance UWM's image.

The Committee approached the UWM Foundation to explore possible funding sources. Because there are no funds available for such a series, it was agreed that in the interim, a lecture clearinghouse to provide better coordination and brokering of all lectures on campus and assigning responsibility for publicizing all lectures to one campus unit, would be recommended. However, the Committee pointed to the success of the Richard Leakey Lecture and the recent campus appearance of Mayor Henry Cisneros, as evidence of community support and interest which could be generated by a guest lecture series.

Candidates for County Executive, O'Donnell and Schultz, were invited to make presentations at UWM under the auspices of the University Relations Committee and the Student Association. Because Mr. O'Donnell could not schedule an appearance, the plan had to be cancelled.

Committee members examined the implications of housing problems on UWM in discussion with Frederick Sperry and Beth Weckmueller from the Admissions Office; Elmer Hamann, Director of Residence Life; Judy Brodd and Ann Geilfuss from the Office of International Studies and Programe. Assistant Chancellor for Administrative Affairs, Donald Melkus presented UWM's Long Range Capital Development Plan.

Jude Kaufmann presented a number of legislative updates in addition to an overview of the work of the University Relations Division. H. Carl Mueller spoke on "Government Relations with the University".

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