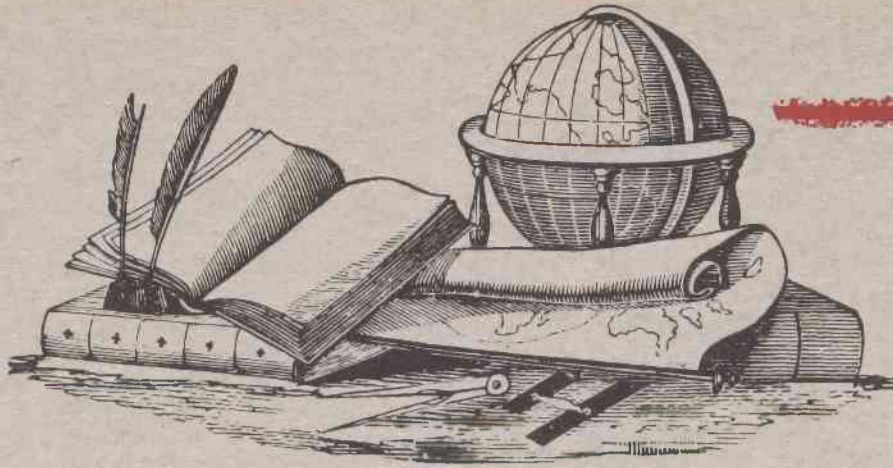


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Dr. Jimmy Jenkins, Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs

by Lee Bowser

Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins holds the title of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty. In the structure of things here at the University, his position is directly beneath that of our Chancellor, Dr. Marion Thorpe.

According to Dr. Jenkins, the structure is comprised thusly; Dr. Marion D. Thorpe, Chancellor; Dr. Jenkins, The Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Mr. Roger McLean, Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs; Dr. Harry Ghee, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; and the director of planning whose title will soon be changed to Vice Chancellor for Development.

Each person named plays a very important part at ECSU. They are in positions where they have great responsibilities. They are the "chief" and his four "lieutenants," the highest ranking officials of this Administration.

In speaking with Dr. Jenkins, one is easily impressed. His job as Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs is to be responsible for all Academics. That includes all classrooms, grading policies, academic buildings, faculty and a long list of other responsibilities.

When the Chancellor's away, Dr. Jenkins is responsible for running the University on a day to day basis. His position carries with it the second in command status.

Though he would like to get out of the office and meet the students, he is often just too busy. His work week consists of going through tunnels of mail from both persons who

are associated with the University, such as Departmental Chairpersons, as well as persons outside of the University, such as former students. He also has to go through mail that concerns new program proposals, instructions from the Chancellor, and General Administration as well.

"That's a very heavy part of my job and it keeps me often times locked behind that door there where people really don't get a chance to see me." His job is, without question, a demanding one.

"I have quite a few meetings with faculty members who have concerns they wish to express about the way the University or their classes are being run. He has more than enough meetings to keep him busy. The meetings that will probably interest students most are those concerning grades. If the students reach Dr. Jenkins in their pursuit for a justice they feel denied them, there is little doubt they have a grim situation.

Dr. Jenkins feels there is a great need to show support for both students and faculty on his part. He attends social events to show his support, and believes other top administrators should do so as well. He felt that the students put a great deal of effort into the Coronation Ball, and they deserve to be recognized for it. He also feels that Honor Societies, Fraternities, and other Social Organizations have a place at the University, and feels he should show his support.

ECSU is home to Dr. Jenkins. It is his Alma Mater. This is where he made his beginning. He feels a great honor in serving the University. He attained his

Masters Degree and Doctorate Degree at one of the most renowned Universities in the nation, Purdue University. He returned to ECSU as a faculty member and administrator. To reach the level of administration that he has, "Was more than I could have asked for or dreamed."

His future aspiration is to serve E.C.S.U. to the best of his abilities. The answer is stated simply, but it is impressive. So is Dr. Jenkins.

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by Lynette Gutridge

If playing to a standing-room-only audience for the three nights of a play's production is considered "success," then "Hot L Baltimore" was exactly that.

The play was a hit for at least three reasons for sure: Shawn Smith the new director, the entire group involved with production, from the actors to the people behind the scenes, and the support offered from the University and community.

There were no signs of the many problems that plague any production. The stage setting looked true to life; the actors showed professionalism; and the audience participation encouraged the cast with their support.

Don't miss out twice. Be sure to go to the University Player's spring production Bus Stop.



Dr. Jimmy Jenkins relaxes in his office.

