STATEMENT
to the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LINDENWOOD COLLEGE
from
Chairman Robert Hyland and President James I. Spainhower
October 20, 1987

This joint statement is the result of a meeting the two of us held on September 9, 1987. We had a frank and open discussion concerning the present status of the college and the need for the Board to be unified so that the college can move in one direction. We agreed upon the following items and present them to the Board of Directors with our recommendation that they be adopted as Board policy:

1. The members of the Board respect the integrity of each member's position in regard to whether we ought to move forward with merger discussions with the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

2. We agreed not to pursue these discussions at the present time.

3. The members of the Board and administration jointly agree that in the next twelve months they will address areas that need strengthening, i.e., increase in admissions, especially residential students; an expanded development program; and possible curriculum adjustments. The Chairman and President have already met with Dr. Donald D. Shook of the St. Charles Community College to lay the groundwork for an agreement for easy transfer of St. Charles Community College graduates to Lindenwood for their final two years.

4. The Board, recognizing the deep interest of the alumni in the future of the college, will call upon the Lindenwood Alumni Association to formulate and implement a plan, in coordination with the Development Department, to raise significant additional funds for the college, and will encourage them, in coordination with the Admissions Office, to utilize the Excel program and other means to assist in the recruitment of additional students.

5. Before the Fall Board meeting of 1988, the Board, under the leadership of its Chairman and the college President, will initiate an evaluation process to determine what progress the college has made in strengthening weak areas. If the board does not feel the progress measures up to what it considers necessary to make the college a strong independent institution, the Board will work together to help the college explore all possible options for its future.