



Investiture Ceremony

Thursday, the Fifteenth Day of October
Two Thousand Nine
at Three O'clock in the Afternoon
McKenzie Theatre, Mary Jane Loso Hall
Eastern Oregon University

Prelude

Academic Procession

Please rise for the faculty of the university

Master of Ceremonies

W. Gregory Monahan, Ph.D.
Professor of History, Eastern Oregon University

Welcome

Dixie Lund, '73, Ed.D.
President (retired), Eastern Oregon University

Greetings and Salutations

From the Alumni
Michael Daugherty, '74
President, Eastern Oregon University Alumni Association

From the Foundation
Steven Joseph, '72, J.D.
President, Eastern Oregon University Foundation

From the Faculty
Deanna Timmermann, '88, Ph.D.
Chair of the Faculty Senate

From the University Council
Anna Maria Dill
Chair of the University Council

From the Students
Rellani Ogumoro
President, Associated Students of Eastern Oregon University

From the Community
Steve McClure
Union County Commissioner

*From the Confederated Tribes of the
Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR)*
Antone Minthorn
Chairman, CTUIR Board of Trustees

From the Legislature
Greg Smith, '94

Choral Performance

Eastern Oregon University Chamber Choir
"The Choir Invisible" by David Childs

Investiture

George Pernsteiner
Chancellor, Oregon University System

Introduction of the President

Richard O. Davies, Ph.D.
Distinguished University Professor of History
University of Nevada, Reno

Investiture Address

Robert O. Davies, Ph.D.
President, Eastern Oregon University

Alma Mater

"Hail, Eastern Oregon," by John McKinnon

Recessional

Eastern Oregon University African Drumming Ensemble

Reception

Please join the university community
for a celebration in the Loso Hall foyer.

Robert O. Davies, Ph.D.

Bob Davies was named President of Eastern Oregon University on March 20, 2009 and assumed the duties officially on July 1. Since the announcement and during the transition, Davies worked closely with retired EOU President Dixie Lund and made a total of six trips to Oregon. From many discussions during these trips, Davies is recommitting to the core principles that served the university well during its early stages. Davies has stated that "EOU thrived when the university committed itself and its resources to providing individuals access to higher education regardless of their time and place; ensuring it was at an affordable cost; and being engaged in meeting the challenges of the community by creating partnerships to seize current, or create new, opportunities. Access, affordability and engagement is what made EOU a great university and this is what we must avail ourselves to today."

Davies earned his Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from the University at Buffalo. His field of study and continued area of academic inquiry is presidential leadership. He earned his MBA from the University of Oregon and his undergraduate degree, also in business, from the University of Nevada, Reno. He has earned two advanced certificates from the Graduate School of Harvard in Higher Education Administration and Leadership.

Davies, his wife Cindy and daughter Katie, moved to La Grande in early June and immediately became part of the community. The Davies family has attended six county fairs, purchased a pig—named Fez—at the Union County Fair, participated in nine parades, and yes, they rode horses in several of these including the Pendleton Round-Up. Katie is in the third grade at Central Elementary and Cindy is a member of the PTA and in the process of starting a Girl Scout troop. Katie is taking riding lessons and like many girls her age, asks daily for her own horse.

