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CHARLESTON, IL--A 91% increase in giving was reported by Eastern Illinois University's Foundation in 1985 as part of its \$5 million Tenth Decade fund campaign, according to Mary Ann Uphoff, Dorns, Foundation President.

At EIU Foundation Board's winter meeting the 1985 reported total was \$357,593 14.5 per cent toward completion of the \$5 million goal. In 1984 the Foundation raised \$187,590.

Charles Ross, Director of Development, reported to the Board that 2235 individuals contributed to the Foundation during '85, a 141.1 per cent increase over the number who donated in 1984.

Nearly 1500 contributors were alumni, a 216.6 per cent increase over the 463 alumni who gave the previous fiscal year.

Jim Roberts, Fairbury, national chairman of the Tenth Decade Campaign and Foundation vice-president, said the fund drive "has gone very well . . . the total gifts received in 1985 should be even higher once all are processed."

The board also authorized the Foundation to negotiate the purchase of property and a home at 1548 Fourth Street for the purpose of relocating the EIU Foundation, Development and Alumni offices now housed in Old Main.

"The building will be named the Foundation House and will solve a serious space problem for us," said Dr. Daniel E. Thornburgh, EIU Director of University Relations and Foundation fiscal agent.

The Board established two scholarships funded by alumnus Errett Warner, Lawrenceville. They are the Warner-Rives Presidential Award in Higher Education and the Warner-Thornburgh Presidential Award in Journalism. With the addition of these two, Warner now has funded 17 EIU scholarships.

Other scholarships established were the Athletic Training Scholarship, the C. A. Hollister Pre-Law Award and the John Whisnand Scholarship.

A resolution was passed to continue the Foundation's current investment

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policy to make investments only through its portfolio manager with companies that adhere to the Sullivan Principles.