

Student candidate wants to work through system

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"I want to work through the system. It's the only way to get things done," says William F. Bennett, NU sophomore running for a seat on the Lincoln City council.

For 20-year-old Bennett, a seat on the council means a chance to provide a sounding board for young people's ideas and better communication between the students and the city.

"I'M LOOKING AHEAD," said Bennett. "Lincoln's going to grow and the sewage and parking problems will double. I want to insure that industry coming in is non-pollutant. I want to provide for what my children can enjoy."

Working through the system means digging into his own pocket to raise \$3,000 for the primary campaign. It means 75 hours a week of speeches, research and campaign drudgery, and, if he wins, the distinction of being the youngest man ever to hold office in the state.

"I'M VERY CONFIDENT," said Bennett, stating that he has received encouragement from some city officials and businessmen who are "glad to see somebody young getting in there."

Bennett said he has regularly attended the city council meetings open to the public, and council members have been "very, very helpful" to him. Four of the seven council seats will be up for grabs in the May 4 election.

Campaign headquarters is located in Bennett's home. The H. H. Harney advertising agency handles his publicity, and his former high school teacher, Robert Glenn, is in charge of campaign finances, Bennett said.

The candidate said he's hoping for help from students in manpower and votes.

ONLY ABOUT 100 20-year-olds have registered to vote in Lincoln, Bennett said. He estimated there are about 1,000 Lincoln 20 and 21-year-olds who haven't registered yet.

Since city council members are elected on a non-partisan basis, Bennett said he intends to appeal to

both the Young Democrats and Young Republicans organizations for help.

Bennett's immediate plans call for fund-raising and voter registration drives. Besides mobilizing the student voters, "a registration drive would show the city that young people are interested," he said.

A MAJOR PART of any campaign is finances, continued Bennett, so a "Buck-raising for Bill" campaign is planned for campus.

Although depending a great deal on students, the Georgia-born candidate stated: "I want a campaign which will encompass the whole city". A resident of Lincoln for 12 years and full-time headwaiter at the Hillcrest Country Club, Bennett said he has many friends in Lincoln.

Bennett cited the city bus system as an important problem which especially affects students and senior citizens.

THE CITY GUARANTEED a corporation a five per cent profit if it would run the bus line for a year, Bennett said. In September, the year is up, and the city must decide if they're going to buy the busline, he explained.

The candidate said he would like the city to buy the busline, clean up the buses, revise schedules, and offer reduced-rate passes to students and senior citizens.

Housing is a problem for low-income families and students, Bennett said. He added that he's researching the issue, including why the rents were raised so suddenly in Arnold Heights last September.

SEWAGE IS ANOTHER growing problem for the city, continued Bennett, and he would like the city to construct another sewage treatment plant.

By the time expansion of the old plant could be completed, a new one would be necessary anyway, he explained.

It's feared by some residents that University expansion and the proposed Northeast Radial will displace low-income families.

"Housing should be made available for these families," Bennett said, although there should be no problem if the land acquisition continues at a slow rate.

BENNETT, A POLITICAL science major, has squeezed six credit hours into his schedule. Since filing for the office Jan. 12, he has spoken to civic clubs and been offered a TV and radio interview, said the candidate.

Of his chances for election, Bennett said, "This is a serious effort on my part. I'm very confident that with the help of student manpower I can accomplish this".



Bill Bennett...looking ahead to provide what his children can enjoy.



Harvey Perlman

Faculty rides procedural merry-go-round

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About 600 University faculty members rode a merry-go-round of resolutions, parliamentary procedures and conflicting viewpoints for more than two hours Monday at a special meeting to consider the dismissal of Stephen L. Rozman.

At the end, indecision was so great, and so many resolutions remained unconsidered, that President Joseph Soshnik said he will ask the faculty to hold another special meeting—undoubtedly before the end of February and perhaps early next week.

In all, nine resolutions were officially read at the Monday gathering, which was not technically a Faculty Senate, but a faculty meeting. Four of the resolutions received no real consideration.

Chemistry Professor Henry Holtzclaw introduced a three-pronged resolution to the packed Kimball Recital Hall.

Sponsored by 16 faculty

members—many of them members of powerful University committee — the resolution was eventually pushed aside in favor of another. Soon the second plan was discarded and a third presented. Ultimately it too was defeated.

So the gigantic group, which packed the first level of Kimball, most of the balcony, and much of the aisle space, circled back to what had by then become known as the Holtzclaw resolution.

It was decided to vote on just the second of Holtzclaw's three-pronged resolution, and tiring from the afternoon in which points of order, points of information, and rulings from the chair were prevalent—the faculty members passed it by a show of hands.

The legislation calls for the Board of Regents to convene an Academic Constitutional Convention in the summer of 1971.

The Convention would draft "a Constitution which

will become the basic document for governance of the University of Nebraska.

This Constitution should enumerate the powers, functions and responsibilities of the constituent parts of the University, including an explicit statement of procedures assuring academic due process for both tenured and non-tenured faculty members."

The resolution designates the Board of Regents the Administration, the faculty and the students as groups which should be represented at the Convention and ratify the Constitution.

Speaking for stage two of the Holtzclaw resolution, Wallace C. Peterson, chairman of the department of economics, said that the present "process of government in the academic community is simply not working."

He called the Academic

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