

Bader terms papers 'unethical'

by A.J. McClanahan

Term papers—for sale. Companies that write them have begun to call them research papers. University officials feel they are unethical and probably illegal. Some students feel they are an aid to getting through school—if they don't get caught.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Ken Bader said he knows from previous experience, use of purchased term papers is difficult to detect. According to Bader, the term papers carry erasure marks and misspellings so they look like a student wrote them. He said he strongly feels that the papers are unethical and perhaps illegal.

Because there is little problem now with the manufactured term papers, Bader said he is not considering legal action against the companies. He said the faculty has been alerted and added if there is evidence of continued operation, he'd "have no druthers about taking legal action."

The ultimate responsibility is with the faculty, watching for the papers, Bader said.

Harry Canon, director of Student Development Services disagrees. He said asking professors to screen the papers is asking the impossible.

"If the Daily Nebraskan quits running the ads, that takes care of the problem," Canon said.

The Daily Nebraskan will continue to run advertisements for term paper companies until selling the papers is outlawed according to Bill Carver, Daily Nebraskan advertising co-ordinator. He added that not running the ads is censorship.



He said, however, that the Daily Nebraskan advertising policy has been rewritten and permits the Publications Board to make final decisions on printing questionable advertisements. Carver said if the Publications Board doesn't want the advertisements to be run, he will have to stop running them.

Newspapers should not make moral decisions for students, Carver said. He added that not running the advertisements is making a moral decision. He said he was against the Publications Board having so much to say about ad publication, but the regents had set up the policy.

Bader said he considers the selling of term papers illegal. There should be no doubt of its illegality in Nebraska, since courts in several other states have declared it illegal, he said.

The companies can do anything to hide or change the facts, but the purpose of the papers is still to promote dishonesty and unethical behavior, Bader said.

One student has been caught using a purchased term paper at UNL.

Claude P. Morton, an instructor in English, said he detected the paper because it was obviously not the student's writing. The student eventually admitted he had purchased the term paper, but Morton could not ascertain whether it had been retyped.

"An experienced reader who has spent an entire semester with the same student can detect very easily when a paper is not written by that student," Morton said. He added, however, it is usually difficult to detect the source of the paper.

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Exon's budget disturbs Simpson, NU officials

by Steve Arvenette

Gov. J. James Exon's request to force an increase in tuition rates at the University of Nebraska as a result of his state budget recommendations brought swift criticism from NU President D.B. Varner, Regent Edward Schwartzkopf and Sen. Harold Simpson, of Lincoln who serves on the Legislature's Appropriations Committee.

Exon's budget plan was presented Friday to state senators at which time he called for a cut of \$3.5 million in the University's requested \$54.3 million general fund request for the next fiscal year.

In the area of capital construction, Exon recommended lowering the University's request of \$22.6 million to \$8.7 million. Chief victims of the governor's budget slash were continued land acquisition at the UNO and UNL campuses, a new library at UNO and the out-patient clinic at the NU Medical Center.

Despite cutting the University's request for state funds, Exon's proposal would allocate \$50.8 million to the University, or about 6.7 per cent more money than is being expended during the current fiscal year.

Under the governor's budget plan, students at NU would receive a double blow in tuition rate increases this fall. Not only would the so-called free zone be eliminated (whereby students pay the same rate for 12 through 16 credit hours) but no drop would occur in the credit hour tuition rate of \$18 for residents and \$48.25 for nonresidents.

A Board of Regents proposal calls for eliminating the free hours but also lowers tuition rates to \$17 per hour for residents and \$46 for nonresidents.

"I am reluctant to see us impose on students the kind of tuition increase required under his recommendations, as I understand them," Varner said concerning Exon's budget proposal. The NU president said that a student taking 16 hours would

be forced to pay 33 per cent more in tuition next year.

"It's safe to say that would be the highest one-year increase in the history of this institution and maybe in the history of public higher education," Varner said.

Regent Schwartzkopf said such a tuition increase could "price students out of (the school) market. Tuition for students is high enough."

Opposition to further tuition increases also came from one state senator.

"I really don't think young people can afford it," according to Simpson, who represents an area which includes the UNL City Campus. Such funds, he said, should come out of tax sources.

Simpson expressed concern that a \$5.9 million request for a new library at UNO was not included in the governor's budget statement. The dropping of land acquisition funds for both UNO and UNL campuses also concerned the Lincoln senator who said he thinks the situation is "especially critical up in Omaha."

Varner said he thinks the governor "wants this University to move as rapidly as possible to its goals," but "unfortunately, in my judgment he did not provide the necessary funds to move on schedule."

Varner added that he is "not yet persuaded" on Exon's proposal concerning the housing of life science facilities. The University had requested \$5.9 million on the new building but the governor called for spending \$2.2 million on the new building and later appropriations for remodeling Lyman Hall to house some life science programs.

Schwartzkopf stressed that life science is a "high utilization area" by students on the UNL campus and that the regents have examined the use of Lyman Hall.

"We need to get them under one roof to make it efficient," he said.

He also stressed that a building should be erected which could allow departmental expansion without further construction.

Although Exon approved full funding for a new Law College building, he recommended a \$1.5 million cut from the University's \$3.5 million request of funds for a veterinary science complex.

With regard to the University's request for state funds, Schwartzkopf said he had hoped the governor would accept the figures which the University had presented. He said that the regents already had cut \$2 million from the administration's initial request. Schwartzkopf added that he hoped the governor realized "we're not playing games" concerning the amount requested.

Schwartzkopf said the regents would be speaking with state senators to show them which programs and personnel would have to be cut if the governor's budget were accepted.



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