



Peter Wirtz

Wirtz resigns, takes Iowa job

Peter Wirtz, UNL coordinator of student activities and assistant dean of student development, is resigning to take a similar position at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

Wirtz, who has been with UNL seven and one half years, will leave his position effective Jan. 1.

Wirtz said that in his new position he will be student activities director and will also have the opportunity to teach in that university's Department of College Student Personnel.

Wirtz said two reasons for his move to Iowa are advancement by expanded responsibilities and "the opportunity to become involved with a major institution that enjoys a very fine academic reputation."

He said he has "very much enjoyed" his associations at UNL and has had "fine relationships" with students and the Department of Secondary Education staff and faculty.

Senate absentee situation complicated by no court

Because of ASUN First Vice President Mark Hoeger's interpretation of the ASUN constitution, no ASUN senator will lose his or her position "at this time" based solely on the number of absences accumulated at senate meetings. And no student court exists that may rule on his interpretation.

"I am not going to fire anyone, at least not at this time," Hoeger said Tuesday. "But that does not mean that I will not fire anyone in the future."

After speaking personally with each senator, Hoeger said he thought that in "every case, there were reasons why the senators were absent from the meetings. I would not call them excused absences, but the reasons were understandable."

One senator with whom Hoeger spoke, Rob Christofferson, has since resigned his seat.

"It would set a bad precedent to dismiss them all at the same time," Hoeger said. All have worked hard on senate projects and so their dismissal would be unwarranted, he said.

In a statement released earlier Tuesday, he said the ASUN Senate first vice president shall "have the power" to remove a senator who has missed three or more senate meetings, as stated in Article VII, Section 2 of the ASUN Constitution.

"I do not agree that 'have the power' means 'must,'" Hoeger said.

In an editorial in the Daily Nebraskan Monday, it was stated that, "the constitution leaves little room for doubt that removal is the answer. Although it says the first vice president shall 'have the power' to remove, the intent of the phrase 'have the power' is clear. It means 'must.'"

Hoeger, however, responded that the constitution "is not a tool that I may use indiscriminantly to remove people from their seats. It is a means of clearing from the ranks of the senate its apathetic members. I wish I could kick a few off that have perfect attendance."

Hoeger said the senate meeting is only a "minor part" of being a good senator.

"All the senators with three or more absences have been warned that they will be removed unless they demonstrate genuine interest in senate and if they miss senate meetings for anything but the most valid reasons," he said.

Only the ASUN Student Court may decide a question of constitutional interpretation, Hoeger said, but the current senate now is in a bind because no student court exists.

The last ASUN administration did not appoint the

student court 30 days prior to spring elections as it was charged to do, Hoeger explained.

The student court has the power to handle matters of impeachment, interpretation of the constitution, contested elections, student organizations (when referred to the court by the UNL administration, the student senate or an individual student) and "other matters arising under the bylaws, organic acts or ordinances of the student senate or the excise of powers of the president or first and second vice presidents of ASUN."

Since the court does not now exist, Hoeger said he "tentatively" intends to appoint its membership as soon as possible.

The court is to be made up of seven students, one who acts as chief justice, who must be a member of the law college, and six associate justices.

They are to be appointed by the president of ASUN and approved by a two-thirds vote of the senate.

The ASUN constitution states that "these appointments shall be approved by at least two-thirds of the membership of the senate 30 class days prior to the spring general election."

Under the section dealing with the student court, subsection D deals with vacancies, and because of this, Hoeger said he believes the ASUN president has the right to appoint the court membership, even though the court had never been appointed in the first place.

The subsection reads, "vacancies in the student court shall be filled within 10 class days according to the procedure outlined for selection of the original members."

When questioned about the 10 day deadline as stated in the constitution, Hoeger said "there is no student court to stop me, or to say that I am right or wrong."

In cases involving the student court, the next level of appeal is the Faculty Senate Committee of Student Affairs.

"We have decisions that need to be settled," Hoeger said, and he said the senate will continue to take applications for the student court positions.

John Humlicek, second vice president during the ASUN administration of former President Steve Tiwald (1970-71), said a precedent exists for appointment of a student court. The administration previous to Tiwald's did not appoint a student court and Tiwald appointed his own.

"It was somewhat illegal, but he did it," Humlicek said.

Starr: Tagge waited patiently, now has chance

By Bob Hill

One cannot compare the talents of a Jerry Tagge and a Scott Hunter because the athletes "both are products of entirely different systems," former Green Bay Packers quarterback Bart Starr said Tuesday.

Starr, who retired from professional football in 1971 but still retains eight National Football League (NFL) records, was in Lincoln to speak at the Midget Football Banquet at Pershing Auditorium Tuesday night.

"I'm very pleased that Jerry (Tagge) was able to start last week. He came to the Packers as a No. 1 draft choice and a local hero. He then was relegated to the bench for two seasons. He waited patiently for his chance and now he has it," Starr said.

The 15-year NFL veteran retired in 1971 to become a Packer assistant coach, but he severed his Packer connections after last season. He said he does not miss professional football.

"We tend to remember what happened most recently in our careers. My last few seasons were filled with anguish and torment," he said. However, he said he believes his years with the Packers were among the greatest of his life.

The 39-year-old University of Alabama graduate said he feels it takes a certain breed of individual to play pro ball.

"One must have a true love for the game. Once he does land a spot on a professional squad, he has gone through a series of weeding-out processes and realizes he belongs on the team.

He said one of the happier moments of his life came last Sunday during halftime of the Packer-St. Louis Cardinal game. At that time, his football jersey (No. 15) officially was retired in front of some 60,000-plus cheering fans, who responded to his return to Lambeau Field with a standing ovation.

"It was an experience I wish everyone could enjoy," Starr said.

Starr, who owns two automobile dealerships in Birmingham, does not foresee a wish-bone type offense in professional football in the near future.

"Any team that uses the wishbone must be geared to it; a team simply cannot change its offense overnight. The wishbone takes years to effectively develop," Starr said.

The DePere, Wis., resident has two sons, one a 16-year-old basketball player and golfer, the other a nine-year-old "who throws the football rather well."



Bart Starr

Chili feed Sunday in Union

UNL's Cultural Affairs Committee and PACE (Program for Active Commitment to Education) will be the beneficiaries of a chili feed Sunday at the Nebraska Union.

The chili feed, co-sponsored by Delta Gamma sorority and FarmHouse fraternity, will offer "all you can eat" for \$1 from 4:30 to 8 p.m. in the Union Centennial Room.

According to Dave Pankonin, FarmHouse vice president, food for the event has been donated or sold to the groups at discount rates by local merchants.

Members of both houses, under the direction of the Union food service staff, will cook and serve the food, Pankonin said.

Eberhard Wunderlich, coordinator of the dinner, said

the goal is to give a 50-50 split of the projected \$2,000 profit to PACE and the Cultural Affairs Committee.

PACE provides students with \$200 to \$400 scholarships, with the stipend allocations based on financial need. This semester 85 students were given grants under the program.

The Cultural Affairs Committee will use its donation to try to bring the St. Louis Symphony back to the University. Last year the St. Louis Symphony performed on campus in a successful concert series, but a lack of funds has prevented it from being scheduled again.

Tickets for the chili feed may be purchased at the Union South Desk, Delta Gamma, FarmHouse and the ticket office in Westbrook Music Bldg.