

Selections possible today for new NU president

By George Miller

A 16-member committee searching for a successor to NU President D. B. Varner may finish its task during a meeting today.

Committee Chairman Paul Schorr said Tuesday there was "maybe a 50-50 chance" that the committee would decide on five to seven names to submit to the NU Board of Regents for consideration.

"I would hope that we could meet the (Sept. 15) deadline," Schorr said.

Schorr said the committee will sort through more than 20 names of possible candidates for the job today. The committee has considered more than 100 names since it began its search Aug. 2.

Varner announced June 2 that he would resign Jan. 1 to become chairman and chief executive officer of the NU Foundation.

Sept. 15 was the original target date for the committee to submit its choices to the regents, who will make the final decision on who replaces Varner.

However, another member of the committee, who wished to remain anonymous, said that Oct. 1 was the date the committee was looking at to submit its names to the regents.

Three names reportedly in the running for the position are: Robert M. White, head of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; James C. Olson, interim president of the University of Missouri, and Howard Neville president of the University of Maine at Orono.

Schorr refused to discuss names of possible candidates.

White could not be reached for comment Tuesday. However, John Eberly, executive officer of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, said White has had no contact with UNL and that it was "pure conjecture" that he would be offered the job.

"If his (White's) name has been submitted," Eberly said, "it has been done by somebody else."

Olson also said he knew nothing about the Nebraska offer.

In a prepared statement, Olson said, "This news is a surprise to me. I've had no communication with the search committee at the University of Nebraska. I would only add that I am just getting into my job as interim president of the University of Missouri and really am not available for anything else."

Neville also said he has no idea if he has been recommended to the search committee.

"I haven't heard anything about it," he said.

Neville declined to speculate about whether he would accept the job if it is offered.

Olson is an NU graduate and a former NU vice chancellor for graduate studies and research. Neville is a former NU vice president.

Tickets available for CU migration

Only 667 tickets are available in the football ticket lottery for the Oct. 9 Colorado University (CU) migration, according to Helen Wagner, assistant ticket manager.

Of the 3,585 tickets allotted UNL, students receive 20 per cent of them, or 717. The Corncobs spirit organization holds 50 of those tickets, she said.

Wagner said the remaining 2,868 tickets are distributed to university contributors and by random distribution to a portion of 10,000 persons who requested tickets to the CU game when ticket sales opened June 15. A few tickets are allotted to football players, she added.

Wagner said the policy of allotting 20 per cent of the total number of tickets for the migration game to students was set by the students some time ago, but she said she couldn't recall when.

"Everyone going"

Kurt Doerr, Corncobs vice president, said the trip will be "the first time in four years we've gone to a migration everyone else is going to."

Doerr said the Corncobs have been able to request that tickets be set aside for them for 30 years or more.

Doerr said only Corncob members can use tickets designated for the group.

"We have to give back the ones we don't use," he said.

Members pay expenses

Doerr also said Corncobs members pay all the expenses of their trip, including paying for their tickets. Much of the money is raised by selling carnations on home game days, he said.

The Tassels will not be going to the Colorado game as a group, according to Melanie Carlson, Tassel member in charge of migration.

Tassels usually requests tickets in a block through the student lottery for a migration game, she said.

Carlson said the Tassels will go to the Iowa State game. She said by going to an away game later in the season, Tassel members would have more time to raise money for the trip.

The lottery, which opens Sept. 27 and runs to Sept. 29, requires that each individual apply for the lottery in person, with up to six persons allowed to apply in a group, Wagner said.

She reminded students to bring their university ID and \$8 to the Athletic Dept. ticket office in the South Stadium Office Bldg.



Photo by Scott Surobok

Stanton Harn, anatomy professor at University of Nebraska-Lincoln Dental School.

Med schools face cadaver shortage

By Bryant Brooks

There are imitations, but there are no substitutes for the real thing where cadavers are concerned.

Combined, the medical and dental schools from the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Omaha's Creighton University need about 110 cadavers a year, said Warren Stinson, assistant professor of anatomy at the Medical Center in Omaha.

But they only have 91 Stinson said, and imitation cadavers, molded in rubber from real ones, don't quite make it.

"You just cannot cast all the parts as accurately as you need them," he said. "Nor can you get all the structures

you need."

Models fragile

The plastic models do not last long either, according to Stanton Harn, anatomy professor at the dental school in Lincoln.

"I was looking at one they wanted \$3,000 for," Harn said. "In my way of thinking, it just doesn't replace the cadaver." But the school does use a few models and some schools have gone solely to them, he said.

Harn said he was able to get the necessary number of bodies for his classes this year. But Stinson said the small number at the medical center forces five or six students to each body and that is too many.

However, this year's shortage is not as bad as those in past years, he said.

"Our average number since '69 has been 53 per year," Stinson said.

Cadavers sought

Stinson said he attributed this year's increase to better public relations. For the last two years, Nebraska Life Underwriters Association, a professional society of insurance salesmen, has sponsored a booth at the state fair offering information about body donations, he said. Many people also were reached through speeches.

"Most people don't even know they could donate their bodies to a medical school," he said.

Requesting one's body is simple, according to Harn and Stinson. The forms can be obtained from the NU and Creighton medical and dental schools and the Nebraska Anatomical Board. They require a few items of information, the donor's signature and the signatures of two witnesses.

Donors are assured their corpses will be treated with respect, Stinson said. Every spring there is an interment of cadavers' ashes. The service is well attended by students and families, Stinson said.

The cadavers are used for the same things at both the dental and medical schools, Harn said.

"Both dental and medical students go through about the same type training in the first two years," he said. "They are given a basic foundation in anatomy from head to toe. We're not just concerned with the oral cavity at the dental school."



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Irrigation in Nebraska has grown into a multi-million dollar business. The first part of a three-part series of articles exploring the state's needs for and use of irrigation, see page 6.