

# Social work school's improved evaluation foreseen

By Rex Henderson

The NU School of Social Work apparently will get an improved evaluation from the Council on Social Work Education in December.

During a 1975 evaluation the school in Omaha was warned that it needed improvement in nearly all areas of evaluation, including faculty-student ratio, funding, administration, student involvement in the community and access to a library, said Hoburt Burch, director of the school.

Burch said this year's evaluation team indicated that the school would get an "adequate but minimal" rating.

Financing for the school was minimal, according to the evaluation team. They said it appeared this was true for the entire university.

The evaluation team said the school is "being treated

better than average, but still not good enough," according to Burch.

## Increased finances

Financing for the school has increased from \$254,000 to \$313,000 annually since the 1975 evaluation. A new permanent faculty position also has been added during the past two years.

Burch said one of the keys to the improved evaluation was the closing of the School of Social Work on the Lincoln campus.

In 1975, the students and faculty were spread over both Omaha and Lincoln campuses.

"I'm sorry we are not still operating in Lincoln, but if we were we would have had the doors closed," Burch said.

The evaluation team gave a "strong bill of health" to the undergraduate program and said the graduate program

exceeds standards in the amount of work required of students, he said.

The 1975 evaluation criticized the school for failing to involve students with Omaha social work agencies. There has since been a "180 degree reversal" in that area, Burch said.

## Criticisms corrected

Criticisms of poor administrative organization in 1975 and conflict between the School of Social Work administration and NU administrators also have been corrected, Burch said.

The evaluation team found the administrative relationships to be cumbersome but functional this year, he said.

The December evaluation probably will criticize the school's library and office space since the school faculty office space still is crowded.

Moving the school from Lincoln to Omaha caused the library problems, Burch said. He said he is committed to trying to move the social work books from Love Library in Lincoln to Omaha.

Burch said enrollment at the School of Social Work is at the maximum.

Enrollment at the school peaked in 1973 when the school operated on both campuses. Enrollment then was at 170 students. This year the school has 115 students.

Burch said the enrollment in schools of social work have dropped nationwide, but that NU's drop was caused by closing of the Lincoln school, not declining applications.

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# Parking advisory group gives proposals go-ahead

By Rod Murphy

A new parking permit refund system, a pledge to apply all parking fine money to lot maintenance and some re-shuffling of parking areas on east and city campuses were among recommendations passed by the parking advisory board Monday.

All recommendations will be sent to Chancellor Roy Young, according to parking coordinator John Duve.

Duve said the chancellor probably will approve the recommendations the board presented.

The new refund schedule would provide a prorated system of refunds from the effective date of the permit.

For those with annual \$35 permits, the refund rate would be \$30 if returned within the first 10 days, \$25 after 10 days, \$20 after one month, \$15 after two months, \$10 after three months and \$5 after four months.

For semester \$20 permits, a refund of \$15 would be allowed within the first 10 days, \$10 after 10 days, \$5 after one month.

## Refunds granted

For those buying \$15 summer permits, a refund of \$10 will be granted within the first 10 days, and \$5 after 10 days.

The board said no refunds would be allowed for monthly, weekly or daily permits.

This policy differs from the old refund schedule which allowed no refunds after the first 20 days.

A new policy was needed for those who leave the university, Duve said.

In another motion, the board passed a recommendation that all money collected from fines be applied only to parking lot improvements.

Formerly, some money collected from fines was used for other purposes, including maintenance supplies.

## Visitor parking

The board also decided to allow Duve to transfer some parking spaces around the residence halls from area 19 (staff parking) designation to a one-hour loading area.

However, Duve said he was not sure how many spaces would be transferred.

Duve said eventually using parking meters would be best, but the money is not in the budget for them now.

Duve said these changes will not affect those parking in the residence hall lots. The change will provide for some visitor parking and loading areas where staff parking is not needed.

"City campus hasn't had the luxury to meet visitor parking needs, we have been more concerned with those who live in the residence halls," Duve said.

With some of the staff parking not being used in these areas, some visitor and loading space could be provided, he said.

The board also endorsed some shifts of parking areas on East Campus.

They include moving staff parking from the East Campus loop area to lots 36, west of the Dental College. Student parking will be moved there.

## Staff parking lots

Visitor parking will be on the east campus mall where staff members now are parking. The staff parking will be in the agriculture engineering lot 31, Duve said.

The board's action may not take effect until Nov. 1st or as late as the 15th, he said. Persons affected by the changes will be notified prior to the change, he said.

Also, warning tickets will be issued to violators for a period of time directly following the change, he said.

In other action Monday, the board chose a chairman, Terry Tallon and a vice chairman, Cliff Hollestelle.

Duve asked the board to allow him to hire a full-time person to be in charge of customer affairs. He said he was seeking the endorsement of the board on this matter because better staff and customer relations were needed. The matter will be on the agenda for next month's meeting.

Duve blamed current customer relations problems on staff limitations.

Bert Evans, associate economics professor, spoke to the board during the open hearing section of the meeting. He expressed his dissatisfaction with parking service in general and the staff in particular.

During the last three years, he said he has experienced "shabby, short, unpolite treatment" from the counter help at the campus security offices, he said.

Duve said these kinds of problems are caused by work-study people helping in the office.

"Outside of four full-time people, the rest of the staff is in and out, maybe working just two hours a day. A customer relations staff member could help address these problems," Duve said.

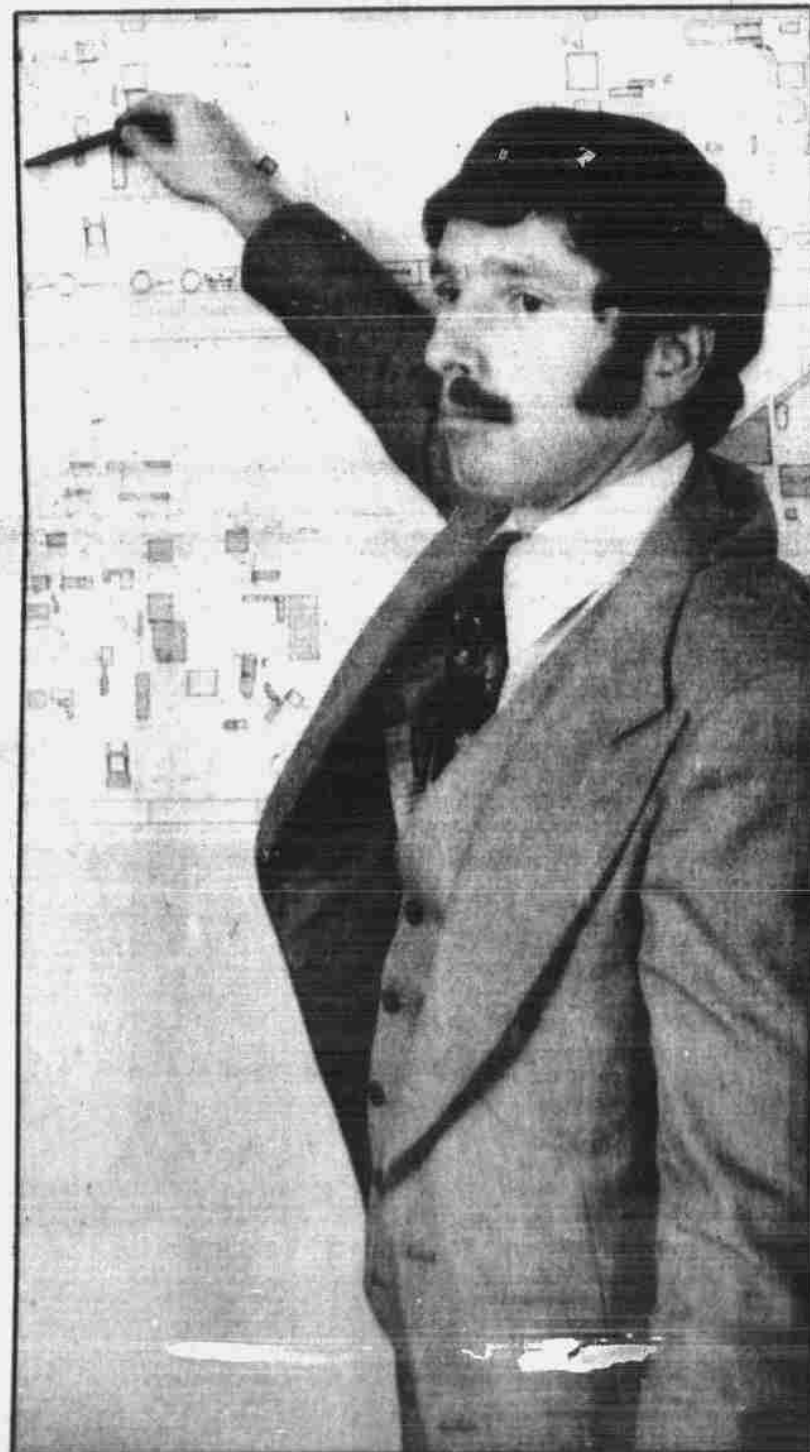


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UNL parking and traffic coordinator John Duve points out some of the proposed changes in parking policy. The final say on the proposals rests with Chancellor Roy Young.

# Resident rate granted to Vietnamese, program will affect 40 UNL students

UNL Vietnamese students will qualify for resident tuition rates as a result of Congressional approval of a bill to extend special programs to benefit Indo-Chinese refugees.

The Senate-amended bill was approved by the House of Representatives Tuesday and will be sent to President Carter for his signature, according to a spokesman from First District Congressman Charles Thone's office.

The bill will grant permanent residence to any Vietnamese, Laotian or Cambodian refugee who has lived in the United States for two years. It also will provide money for the establishment of special training programs for the refugees, the spokesman said.

Deb Knight, of the UNL Financial Aids office, said the bill will affect about 40 Vietnamese students at UNL. Nearly all those students are paying non-resident tuition because they do not have permanent United States residence status, she said.

Most of the students now receive financial aid, Knight said. However, UNL offers no special financial aid pro-

gram for Vietnamese students.

She said she knew of no Laotian or Cambodian students attending the university.

Many Vietnamese students were promised permanent residency.

During the largest influx of Vietnamese refugees in 1975, the government agreed to give the refugees permanent United States residence status, Knight said.

However, the permanent residence status was granted on a quota basis and Knight said she did not know of any Vietnamese students in Nebraska that were included in the quota.

Many of the Vietnamese students at UNL expected to pay non-resident tuition for two years only and have begun paying their third year at non-resident rates, said Knight.

Knight said she did not know whether the bill would mean that students would be reimbursed for the extra tuition they paid this year or whether their resident tuition rates would begin next semester.

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