

Union staff may take action on proposed renovations

By Georgene Cetak

If the Nebraska Union Board does not take action on proposed Union renovations by late summer or early fall the Union staff will take the initial steps, said Al Bennett, director of the Unions.

At the April 12 Union Board meeting Bennett suggested that a long-range planning task force be set up this summer. The task force would work on possible surveys to present to students to determine opinions on such Union additions as a delicatessen, travel agency, variety store and plant shop, as well as a candy and ice cream addition to the bakery.

Bennett withdrew a request at the meeting to reallocate funds in the bond equipment replacement fund, which might have financed the projects.

In withdrawing the request, Bennett said the failure to get the proposals on the NU Board of Regent's April agenda would

risk not having the project complete by fall.

Plans will continue this summer for renovation of the Harvest room entry, a project already approved by the Union Board.

Regent Ed Schwartzkopf of Lincoln said the request would have to have been submitted in time to go to the regents' business affairs subcommittee before being placed on the agenda. Schwartzkopf said he was not aware of the reallocation request until he read about the withdrawal proposal in the Daily Nebraskan.

Requests dealing with the Unions must be submitted first to the vice chancellor for student affairs, then to the regents two weeks before the meetings, according to Richard Armstrong, UNL vice chancellor for student affairs.

Armstrong said he received the request from Bennett one day prior to the deadline for the regents' meeting.

"Because of my own schedule, I was unable to deal with it," Armstrong said.

The proposals for building additions and possible rental space, including moving the barber shop from the basement to the second floor of the Union, have been discussed by the Union Board several times.

The proposals drew protest in two of three open hearings.

The major argument presented by protesters was that students had not been surveyed on the projects. Bennett suggested to the board that the planning task force be set up to determine student opinions on the projects.

Marc Davies, operations committee chairman, said the board has considered including a survey in student registration packets.

Fee proposal among items on regents meeting agenda

A proposal to shift some students fees money from Fund A to Fund B is among the issues to be discussed at Saturday's NU Board of Regents meeting.

The board will meet at 9:30 a.m. in Regent's Hall.

Since campus speakers no longer will be funded through student fees, money previously used for that purpose will be diverted to Fund B, according to the administration's plan.

At the February regents meeting, the board decided to end student fee funding of campus speakers.

The board also is expected to act on recommendations to extend tenure to 51 UNL instructors and 16 instructors at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Under the plan, persons recommended for tenure, effective at the beginning of the academic year or fiscal year 1979-80, will hold one-year contracts for the 1978-79 year.

The board will consider a proposal to increase the rent for Love Memorial Co-op, Park Apartments and Colonial Terrace Apartments.

The administration recommended a \$20 a year per student increase for Love Memorial Co-op, a \$5 a month increase for

families in Park Apartments and a \$5 increase a month at Colonial Terrace Apartments.

The suggested rates will help meet operating costs, improvements and debt service, according to the plan.

The new rates will remain competitive with others charged in Lincoln, according to the administration.

The regents also are scheduled to hear a request to rescind approval of UNO's student government constitution of February 1978, and recognize the previously approved 1975 constitution.

A new UNO student government constitution now is in the planning stages. Until it is finished, the student government is asking to continue operating under previous laws.

Also to be considered at Saturday's meeting is a request by the University of Nebraska Medical Center that the regents accept a bid by the Hewlett-Packard Co. for patient-monitoring equipment at the hospital.

The current bid stands at \$194,074.30. The original estimate was \$192,100.00. The funds are to be drawn from the hospital capital equipment account.

Appropriation was incorrect

The Daily Nebraskan incorrectly reported Thursday that Gov. J. J. Exon had vetoed \$85,000 of the Nebraska Legislature's appropriations for NU miscellaneous renovations, utility improvements and land

purchases.

The sentence should have read that Exon vetoed \$485,900 of those appropriations. The Legislature did not override those vetoes.

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