

Regents approve contest for new NU logo

By Michelle Carr

A new university logo, a newly-elected chairman and university financial matters were discussed Saturday by the NU Board of Regents.

Regent Kermit Hansen of Omaha, who proposed a contest to develop a new NU logo at the December board meeting, reintroduced the idea and won the approval of the board.

Hansen's plan includes changing university letterheads, stationery and signs. According to Hansen, the cost of switching to a new logo is minimal. Because the same stationery would be used, dye and a design element would be the only expenses, he said.

University signs are changed every four years so changing the design would be made in phases with no cost, he added.

Disparity exists in publications of the separate campuses and university services, Hansen said, and a new logo would provide a symbol that the public could easily recognize.

Cuca supports logo

Student Regent Bud Cuca said he supports the new logo because the people of the state may incorrectly perceive separate units of the university. He said that the university system should be emphasized.

The only dissenting opinion came from Regent Ed Schwartzkopf of Lincoln, who said that each campus is unique and that a logo would put all the campuses "in a neat little package."

Jim Raglin, NU director of public affairs, told the regents that several universities similar to the NU system have a university-wide logo. Hansen said that several schools have expressed an interest in receiving information, should NU adopt a new logo.

Hansen suggested that prize money from non-tax sources be awarded to the top three entrants in the logo

contest. The regents directed the administration to set up the contest.

Chairman elected

The regents also elected Regent Robert Raun of Minden as chairman. Raun, 51, held the position twice, once in 1970 and again in 1971. Raun has been on the board since 1966.

The nominations for chairman were closed after Raun's nomination and he was unanimously elected. Regent Robert Prokop of Wilbur was again elected vice chairman, also unanimously. Prokop is the only present regent who hasn't been elected chairman. He has served on the board since 1970.

The regents were told of a possible deferment of the proposed Student Information Office because of difficulties with the university computer network budget. Chancellor Roy Young told the regents that the computer network budget has not kept up with increase in computer use.

The regents also directed NU officials to ask the Legislature for at least \$450,000 to replace revenue lost through sales tax paid on construction projects.

Salaries increase

The regents approved salary increases for the NU football coaching staff. Head Coach Tom Osborne's salary was increased from \$44,000 to \$48,000.

A proposal made by Cuca to rotate the site of regent meetings among the three campuses received disapproval from the regents. Cuca said such an arrangement would benefit the regents by putting them closer to their constituents while providing students with an educational opportunity to watch a governing body work.

Regent James Moylan of Omaha disagreed with the proposal because vital records are kept in Regents' Hall and are essential to the meetings.

Cuca then suggested that the meetings be held in the evenings to allow more persons to attend, but this proposal was voted down.



NU Regent Robert Raun

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