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5 YEAR PARTNERSHIP

(In Millions)

	State	Univ.	Found.
Research Mission	\$20.0	\$20.0	\$26.0
Libraries Automation Holding	1.5		1.5
Arts & Sciences	5.0		
Total	\$20.0	\$20.0	\$27.5

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Regents approve budget increase

By Victoria Ayotte
Staff Reporter

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents Saturday approved an 11.2 percent increase in the 1988-1989 university budget, which includes a 9.5 percent salary increase and a \$4 million research initiative.

The increases were made possible by additional state funding of 11.9 percent and a tuition hike of 9.2 percent throughout the university system.

UNL's undergraduate resident and non-resident tuition rates were increased 8.4 percent to \$48.50 and \$131.75 per credit hour.

The board also allocated a \$4 million research increase to certain programs.

These allocations were recommended by a committee of 23 reviewers across Nebraska, NU Provost Lee Jones said.

UNO will get \$200,000 for telecommunications management and UNL will receive \$1.6 million for engineering research centers, \$200,000 for materials science and \$100,000 for water quality.

UNL and UNO will each receive \$950,000 for biotechnology. UNL's proposed biotechnology center was approved Saturday.

Also approved were operating budget request guidelines for 1989-91.

Salary increases of 11.25 percent for faculty and 12.5 percent for staff for each of the next two years are included in the guidelines.

"That should put us at least at the midpoint of the peer groups, which is our objective," NU President Ronald Roskens said.

Tuition increases of 5 percent each year are also recommended in the guidelines.

Roskens also presented to the board a five-year partnership plan for the university, which includes increased state funding of \$31.5 million, federal and university funding of \$28 million and funding by the NU Foundation and other private sources of \$27.5 million.

The university is trying to create a "workable partnership" with state, university and private sources by this plan, Roskens said.

"People are responding very positively," he said. "The forward thrust since the first of January is generating a kind of momentum."

The Board of Regents also approved the 1988-1989 budget for the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis.

Curtis' budget is set at \$1.8 million, with \$1.4 million coming through state aid. Curtis' tuition rates were increased from \$23.16 to \$32 per credit hour.

Irvin Omtvedt, vice chancellor for agriculture and natural resources at UNL, said two programs will be ready for students at Curtis next semester—animal health and diversified agriculture.

More than 50 students are expected to attend the school next semester, he said. Some regents expressed concerns about the high cost of educating each student next year, but Omtvedt said this is to be expected because it's a "transition year" for Curtis.

The old Curtis school effectively closed with the last graduating class

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NU President Ronald Roskens points out the details of his five-year partnership plan Saturday during the regents meeting

City Council to hear resolutions

By Deanne Nelson
Staff Reporter

Mayor Bill Harris will introduce to the Lincoln City Council today resolutions to approve BCE Development Properties, Inc., for downtown Lincoln's redevelopment project, said David Sallee, a Harris aide.

A public hearing and actual council voting will be June 20, he said.

Harris and the Downtown Redevelopment Selection Advisory Com-

mittee announced their selection of BCED on June 3, Sallee said. BCED, a subsidiary of BCE Development Corp., the real estate development and investment subsidiary of Bell Canada Enterprises, replaces Taubman Co. Inc., the Michigan firm that withdrew from the Lincoln project in January.

BCED and Harris will meet this week with representatives of Selection Research, Inc. and Bob Campbell of Miller and Paine. On Wednesday,

Sallee said, redevelopment officials will attend a charrette, a half-day session to receive responses and feedback on designs for the project.

The next step after city council's pending approval, said Barbara Hager, executive director of the Downtown Lincoln Association, is for the developer to talk to possible tenants and try to "lure them in" to Lincoln. These tenants are the anchor

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Next hill motivates bikers through state

By Deanne Nelson
and Victoria Ayotte
Staff Reporters

As Dan and Tim Tharp bike across Nebraska, their only goal is to reach the next town.

"During the ride, the motivation is the next town," said Tim. "When going up a hill, it's to go down the hill."

Tim, from Lincoln, is a four-year veteran of Bicycle Ride Across Nebraska.

Tim's brother Dan, a three-year veteran, and another biker, Jeff

Lauden of Plattsmouth, a three-year biker, agreed with Tim.

"At the end of the day, no matter how nasty the day was, you've made it," Lauden said. "It's goal-fulfillment."

The Tharps are both University of Nebraska-Lincoln graduates. Their father, Gerald Tharp, is a professor at the school of biological sciences at UNL and has also participated on the trip.

The three bikers started their ride across Nebraska with about 500 others Sunday morning in Fort Robinson. They are due to arrive in Omaha

Saturday. The trip is sponsored by Northwest Rotary Club of Omaha and the Omaha Pedalers Bicycle Club.

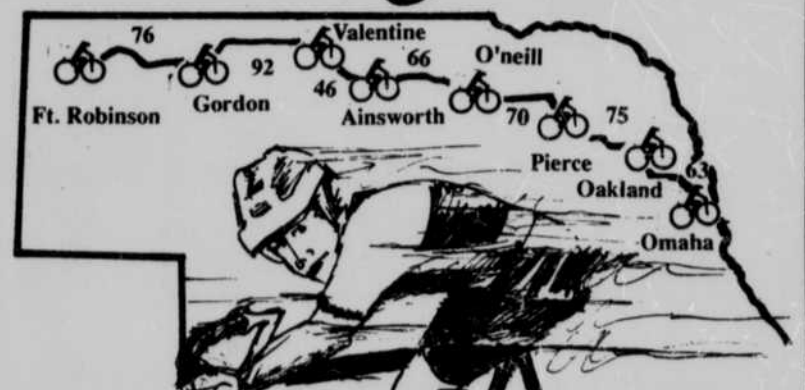
Each bicyclist pays a small entry fee for participation in the ride.

Tim and Dan Tharp said the entry fee is minimal compared to the other costs involved in the ride.

The cost of the bike can range from \$200 to \$2,000, food can get expensive and the bikers need a tent for the trip, they said.

There's also a lot of training involved in preparing for the trip, they

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