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WEATHER:

Today, partly sunny and mild, high 70 to 75, winds northwest 10 to 15 miles per hour. Tonight, low 45. Tuesday, sunny, high in low 70s. Dry and mild Wednesday through Friday, highs in mid-70s to 80, lows in mid-40s to 50.

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Regents name search committee members

By Lisa Twiestmeyer
Staff Reporter

The MU Board of Regents could save an estimated \$75,000 to \$100,000 on a national search for the new NU president by naming Interim President Martin Massengale to permanently serve in the position, Regent John Payne suggested Friday.

Payne, of Kearney, introduced a resolution at the NU Board of Regents meeting calling for the regents to name Massengale as permanent president, and to appoint a search committee to select a new UNL chancellor.

The board voted 7-1 to table action on the resolution.

Payne said Massengale is a "very qualified person," and that regents could save a considerable amount of money by naming him president.

"I think you're wasting a pile of bucks on this thing," Payne said. "I think it's ridiculous to go through this thing when we've got him in place."

Massengale said that while he appreciates the regent's support, it is "in the best interests of all concerned" to have a nationwide search.

Payne said that during the search for a UNL chancellor in 1981, the

regents flew in six candidates for interviews before hiring Massengale, who was vice chancellor at the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the time.

"None held a candle to the guy on East Campus," Payne said.

Payne said the board has a credibility problem at the Legislature, and Massengale is highly respected by state senators. Naming Massengale as president possibly could "start help mending fences," Payne said.

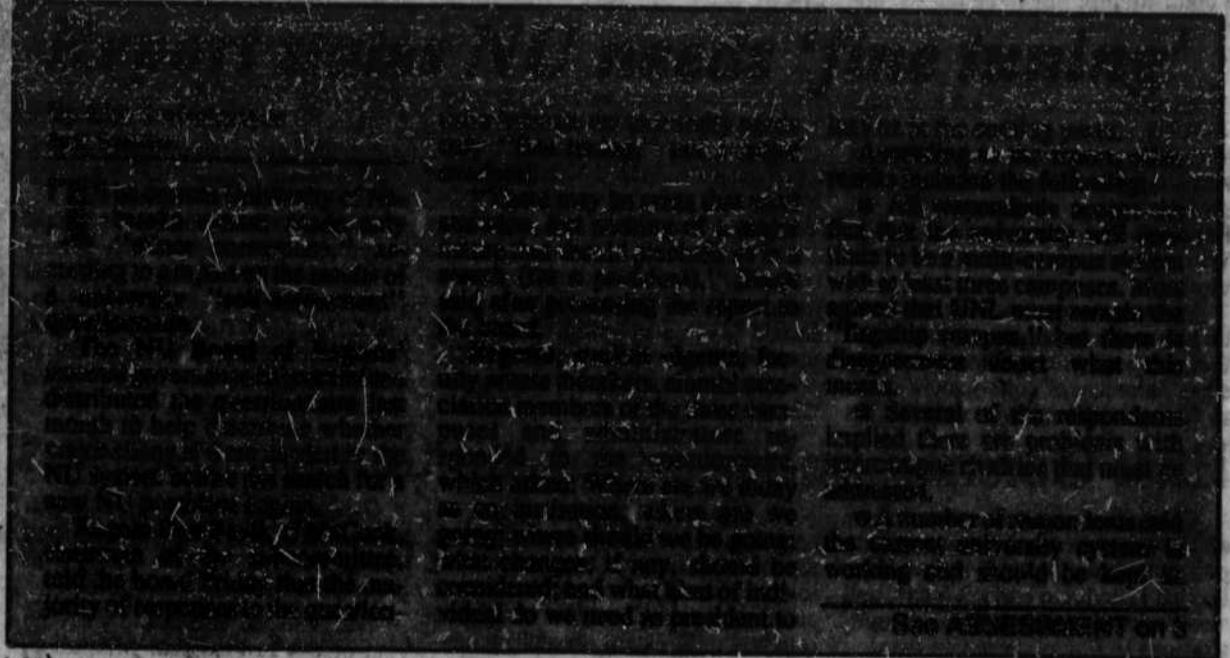
Payne said the regents are taking "unfair advantage" of Massengale by having him fill the positions of UNL chancellor and interim president at the same time.

"We're going to horse around for a year and expect him to fill two positions," Payne said. "I think that's unfair."

Board Chairman Nancy Hoch of Nebraska City said that while she understood Payne's reasoning, the board is committed to a "full-blown, first-rate national search."

The regents elected 10 of the 12 members to serve on the presidential search committee.

The six members of the general public elected to the committee are: Duane Ackie of Lincoln; Eugene Mahoney of Omaha; Lee Ellen Matzke of Sydney; Emil Reutzel Jr.



of Norfolk; James F. Roberts of Lincoln; and Jan Thayer of Grand Island.

One faculty member from each of the three campuses was elected: B.J. Reed from the University of Nebraska at Omaha, chairman and professor of public administration; Michael Sorrell from the University of Nebraska Medical Center, chairman and professor of internal medicine;

and Robert Fuller, a UNL astronomy and physics professor.

Allison Brown-Corson of UNO, a former student regent, was elected as the one student member.

A member from the NU Foundation will be elected later because the board received only one nomination. The regents also will elect an at-large member at its next meeting from an

area they feel is underrepresented on the committee.

Two alumni ex-officio members were elected to the committee: Carol Waring from UNL and Shari Hofschire from UNO. A UNMC alumnus will be elected later because the board received only one nomination.

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NU vendor tosses hot dogs

By Theresa Simaler
Staff Reporter

Kevin Hauptman appears reserved, but on fall Saturdays he sheds his shyness as he hurls weenies at a crowd of 76,000 people.

Hauptman has been a serial hot dog vendor at Nebraska football games for 10 years.

"The main reason I do it is to get in the games free because I enjoy watching the Cornhuskers," said Hauptman, whose gray curly hair protrudes from his San Francisco Giants baseball cap.

He said he got the idea of throwing hot dogs from Steve Potter, a lawyer from Lexington who also throws at the games. The idea caught on and now a couple more vendors have started tossing hot dogs.

"But I like to think I throw them the best."

His special throwing technique begins by tightly folding down the wrapper to keep the hot dog in and then tossing it overhand, end over end, he said while demonstrating the motion.

"I usually work in the student section because they have a lot of fun," he said. "But I also like to follow the ball."

This seemingly simple job does have its drawbacks, he said. The wind sometimes carries the hot dogs off of their courses.

"One of the worst parts of my job is when people smash the hot dogs and throw them back at me because then I have to pay for them," he said. "It usually happens when they've had too much to drink."

Hauptman said he was arrested at the Oklahoma game in 1986 for resisting an officer's orders.

"The policeman told me to sit down because I wasn't a cheerleader, but I didn't think I had to," he said. "It was embarrassing because they escorted me out in front of everyone."

Hot dog inflation has caused Hauptman more difficulty in re-



Hot dog vendor Kevin Hauptman samples his own goods during the second half of the Nebraska-Kansas State game at Memorial Stadium Saturday.

ceiving his payment from the fans.

Hot dogs now are \$1.25, he said, making it harder to collect and make change.

Once fans get their hot dog via air, they take off the wrapper, put the money in and throw it down in the foil.

Sometimes fans throw a lot of wrappers down and only one has money in it, Hauptman said. This challenges him to find the profitable wrapper.

Hauptman is not a full-time hot dog thrower. He is a 1985 graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a degree in economics. He works as a cook for Misty's, 6235 Havelock. He said he plans to put his degree to work in the near future.

He made his stadium debut in 1972 selling soda. He began throwing hot dogs in 1979.

"To me, it's more of a hobby than a job," he said.

Ad hoc group formed to coordinate lobbying for student regent vote

By Juna Pedersen
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Students for the Right to Vote, a recently formed ad hoc committee at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, is preparing for a tough legislative battle next January.

Russ Johnson, committee member and former president of the Residence Hall Association, said the group was organized to coordinate lobbying efforts for an official student regent vote.

"We've never had a better chance to get a student vote," Johnson said. "In my opinion, we'd be really dumb not to capitalize on that chance."

Because of the recent controversy surrounding the NU Board of Regents, he said, there is speculation that the Nebraska Legislature may try to make some changes during its next session affecting the board.

Making student regent votes official is probably not one of the changes the Legislature will consider unless heavy lobbying is done by students, Johnson said.

"We can't force a change," he said. "But we should be ready to capitalize if the opportunity comes up to lobby for a change."

For now, that means the group is trying to coordinate student leaders from different organizations on campus to help with lobby preparation, Johnson said.

Currently the committee has five members, he said, but is looking to expand.

"Our goal is to make the general campus population aware that the student regent vote issue is something that they need to be thinking about," he said.

If student awareness is increased, Johnson said, he hopes more students will want to help with lobbying efforts.

Gaining support from the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska will be a priority for the committee, he said, because ASUN

has been involved with lobbying in the past.

ASUN traditionally lobbies for universitywide concerns such as increased faculty salaries, Johnson said.

Although such lobbying efforts are important, he said, ASUN should lobby for an official student regent vote because probably no other university organization will lobby for it.

"University lobbyists will lobby for increased salaries for faculty," he said. "ASUN should lobby for student issues, too."

ASUN President Bryan Hill, who also is a member of Students for the Right to Vote, said ASUN will discuss a resolution supporting the committee's efforts within the next two weeks.

The resolution most likely will give the committee lobbying support from ASUN's Government Liaison Committee, Hill said.

Until more information is gathered on the constitutionality of the official vote, he said, ASUN won't be supporting any specific proposals.

In the meantime, he said, he and other committee members will continue research to prepare for lobbying.

Johnson said ASUN's help would be crucial if a constitutional amendment were required to make a student regent vote legal.

Convincing the state's citizens that students need an official voice on the board will be the toughest part of lobbying efforts, he said.

To be convincing, he said, lobbyists must have answers for every argument raised against an official vote. That, he said, will take a lot of preparation.

Johnson said he has contacted universities in other states where student regents have official votes, and is developing a resource network and organizing that information.

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