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Other ex-officio members will include an affirmative action officer, an administrative officer and a regent selected by the board.

Regent Don Blank of McCook said the board will complete the elec-tion of search committee and ex-offi-cio members at its November meet-

The search committee should neet by mid-November, he said. Within 14 days of their meeting, re-tents and committee members

should know what type of person they are looking for as president. Blank said he thinks the board should "seriously consider" hiring an gutside consultant to assist in the search. In September, the board heard

rch. In September, the board heard forts from three potential consult-firms who also could have as-ted in an in-depth, self-assessment the university. Because the results of a self-as-sment questionnaire did not indi-c stajor changes in the system are resury. Blank said he would like hear from additional consultants.

ESSMENT from Page 1 but certain areas possibly d be examined.

These areas include updating of the NU role and mission statements; clarification of board and CEO rela-tionship; re-evaluation of central administration in areas of function, efficiency and personnel; and an ongoing system of long-range plan-ning by the campuses and the univer-sity.

• Most treated the admission of Kearney State College as a foregone conclusion, and think the system would function adequately with the

would function adequately with the Kearney addition. • A majority of respondents indi-cated this is not a time to consider major changes in the system because of uncertainties in the future of higher education in Nebraska, or because conditions do not warrant them. • Several stated that the president should not also serve as a chancellor,

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It was a consensus that the chancellors should have relative autonomy over management of students, facilities and academic functions. The president and central administration should be concerned with long-range plans, coordinated services and strategies consistent with the role and mission statements.

Blank said the responses were "very thought-provoking." The board should study the responses thoroughly, and begin to formulate their criteria for a new president, he

The completion of the question-tire does not mean the end of the self-analysis process t"by any stretch of the imagination," Blank said. However, he said, the board now can move forward to begin the me-chanics of the presidential search.

VOTE from Page 1 The main concerns raised by op-

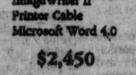


ponents of the official vote in other states included students' lack of ex-perience and maturity and a possible conflict of interest, he said. But, he said, those arguments are casily rebutted.

Hill, who is UNL's student regent, said that last year's granting of an unofficial vote for student regents has shown that they are able to handle the responsibilities of an efficial vote. That forced us to do our home-

work and take a stand," he said. "We can handle some type of greater vote in university governance."





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