

Parking group suggests sale of night spots

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Members of the Parking Advisory Committee suggested Monday at a meeting in the East Union that night permits eventually will be sold to commuters parking on campus lots after 7 p.m.

The recommendation came after several committee members heard complaints from commuters not able to use reserved spots during evening hours.

The current mix of 11- and 24-hour permits in the same lot north of the Nebraska Union is creating a problem, Business Manager Ray Coffey said.

"I don't think that's a manageable situation," Coffey said. "We've got to separate those lots and sort it out."

The committee also suggested that 24-hour reserved parking lots and other lots close to campus should be enforced more stringently to curb illegal use of those lots by students taking night classes.

Other suggestions made by the committee:

- Provide reserved parking spaces for custodial employees, most of whom are women and must walk four to five blocks on unlit paths to their cars.

- Include in the registration fee for regularly scheduled nighttime events a charge for public users of UNL parking lots.

These recommendations and a report prepared by Walker Parking Consultants of Minneapolis, a firm hired by UNL parking officials to make recommendations on improving parking on both campuses, will be addressed at the committee's next meeting April 1.

Neihardt floor 'mom' earns humanity award

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Staff Reporter

Treating students as if they were her own children has earned Norma Bosley the Sue Tidball Award for Creative Humanity.

Bosley, a floor custodian in Neihardt Residence Center for 18 years, said she thinks of the women on her floors as her family away from home.

"Some of the girls treat me like I'm just another mom," she said.

In the mornings, the women consult with Bosley to find out what the weather is like and she'll tell them if they need to wear their heavy coats.

She said that in the past, several students have come to her with problems, but she would not betray their confidentiality to cite any specific examples.

Also, Bosley said, she gets excited when the women get engaged or even just get a letter from a boyfriend and want to talk about it.

"I'm just feel happy for them and they treat me so nice, too," she said.

Bosley said one of the nicest compliments she had was from one of "her girls" who commented on how nice and clean the bathroom smelled.

"If it was my son or daughter living there, I would want them to have a clean bathroom," she said.

Bosley admits she gets attached to some of the students and misses them when they leave.

But, she said, often they come back to visit. And although she may not always remember a name, she'll remember the face.



Norma Bosley

Robin Trimarchi/Daily Nebraskan

Bosley and Emilia Juarez, a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences, received the Tidball Award for Creative Humanity Sunday night. The award is presented to people

displaying extra effort in their work with caring and creativity.

Bosley said she was proud on behalf of the entire custodial staff to receive the award, and she thanked "her girls"

for nominating her.

"I guess it's one of the nicest things that's happened to me in my life," she said.

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radio State University, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Oklahoma State University, Oregon State University, the University of Tennessee-Knoxville and Washington State University.

UNL's current comparison group includes Illinois, Iowa State, Maryland, Michigan State, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue and Wisconsin.

The average faculty salaries of the NCHEMS peer group are closer to UNL's salaries than the current peer group, according to the study.

Although Moore said it is no secret that he has not agreed with the current reference group, he said no official changes have been made.

"It is my hope that in the future we can develop a reference group that we can all agree on," he said.

Before an agreeable reference group can be created, Moore said, UNL should be contacted.

John Benson, UNL director of Institutional Research Planning and Fiscal Analysis, said contact between NCHEMS and UNL would be "very important" in creating a new comparison group.

"I have some difficulties with an outside group determining what the criteria ought to be . . . without contacting the university," he said.

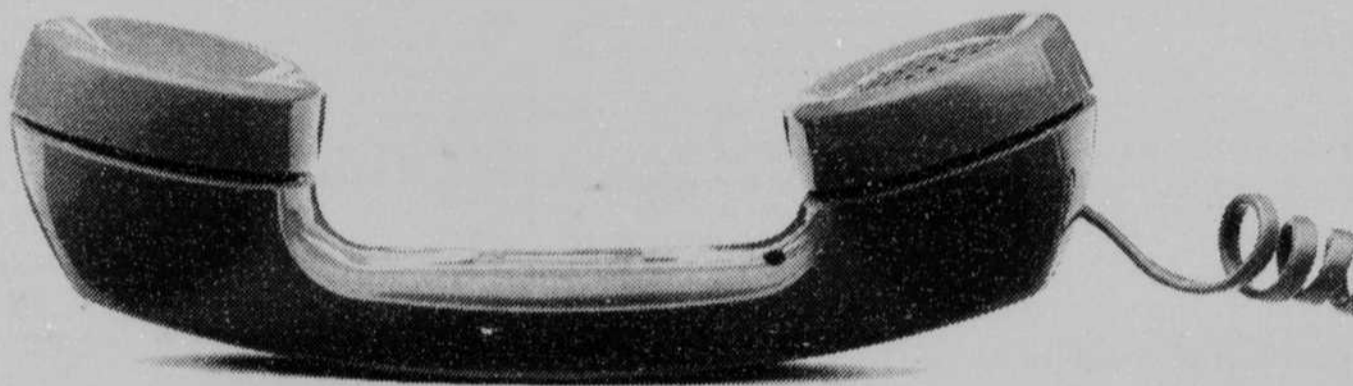
Moore disagreed. "We wanted an independent point of view without the university's bias in it," he said.

Benson said the comparison group UNL has used for salary purposes should continue, but other groups might be appropriate for other areas.

An area that might not be appropriate for comparison with American Association of Universities land-grant institutions is tuition, Benson said, because 90 percent of UNL students come from within Nebraska.

Information on the suitability of the current peer group for salary purposes was contained in a discussion paper Benson issued to the chancellor's staff in February. The paper was meant to be a supporting document and to assist staff members responding to the Legislature, Benson said.

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