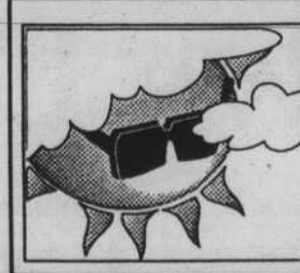


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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Today, partly cloudy and cooler, north winds 15 to 25 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy and cool. Wednesday, mostly sunny, highs in the mid to upper 40s.

Spanier announces athletic director search committee

National scope not necessary, Devaney says

By Erik Unger
Staff Reporter

The nationwide search for a new full-time athletic director at UNL will begin Wednesday, Chancellor Graham Spanier said at a press conference Monday.

Spanier said he expected the search to cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000 — the bulk of which would be used for advertising and travel costs.

The funding will come from somewhere within the university and is consistent with other administrative position searches, Spanier said.

James O'Hanlon, dean of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Teachers College and faculty representative for athletics, is the chairman of the 10-member search committee.

O'Hanlon said the committee was looking for someone with an athletic administration background, preferably at a large Division I university.

The salary will be negotiable, but will be competitive with other athletic directors of universities nation-

wide and in the Big Eight. He said the salary would fall between \$60,000 and \$100,000.

The search would be an affirmative-action search, Spanier said.

"I would be delighted if we were to end up with an athletic director that was a woman or a member of a minority group," he said.

Retiring Athletic Director Bob Devaney said it was not his choice to step down and restated that the committee needed to look no further than UNL's athletic department for a replacement.

A nationwide search is "not something that I am in favor of, but from what I have gathered, it is something that can't very well be avoided," Devaney said.

Other members of the committee include: Angela Beck, women's basketball coach; Tony Samuels, assistant football coach; Don Bryant, assistant director of athletics and sports information director; Janet Kruse, UNL student-athlete; Don Benning, assistant superintendent of the Omaha Public Schools; Anne Campbell, former Nebraska state superintendent of education; Richard Dientsbier, professor of psychology and chairman of the UNL intercollegiate athletic committee; and Keith Parker, an assistant sociology professor.

Admissions criteria upgrading proposed

By Sean Green
Senior Reporter

Now that an advisory committee has recommended UNL's admissions standards be raised, those with an interest will be able to provide input, a professor said Monday.

"The committee recommendations are far from being set in stone," said Stephen Hilliard, chairman of UNL's English department and a member of the committee.

"Everyone with an interest will have the opportunity to give input into the changes," he said.

After reviewing current admissions standards at UNL, the committee released a report March 20 recommending the university's standards be raised and more core courses be required, especially in foreign language and mathematics.

James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs, is chairman of the committee.

In its report, the committee recommended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln adopt a more demanding set of core-course requirements, higher

class standings and require an American College Test score of 20 for all students who apply.

After receiving input, the committee will finish and submit the report to UNL Chancellor Graham Spanier, Hilliard said. Spanier will, in turn, submit the report, along with reports from other campuses, to the NU Board of Regents.

Current UNL admissions standards require that applicants:

- Be graduates of accredited high schools.
- Have ACT scores of at least 20.
- Have certificates of high school equivalency training (GED).
- Or be admitted, without meeting the requirements, if they show promise of success in university work.

The committee proposed changing those requirements so that in 1996-97, applicants would:

- Be assured admission if they completed all core high school courses, including requirements of 2 years of foreign language instruction and four years of math including: algebra I and II, geometry and one other math course,

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Staci McKee/DN

Ben Rader, a UNL history professor, recently wrote a book on the history of baseball. Rader is holding a bat from 1962, courtesy of the Baseball Card Co.

Swinging scholar

Professor records baseball's greatest hits

By Jennifer McClure
Staff Reporter

Batter up! It's the bottom of the ninth, and the bases are loaded. The score is tied, and a hush falls over the crowd. The pitcher's eyes are cold and

calculating as he winds up and throws the pitch.

Benjamin Rader may not be able to tell exactly what would happen next, but his

prediction probably would come eerily close.

Rader, chairman of the history department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, recently completed a book on the history of baseball.

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Museum replicates UNL's baluchithere

WyoBraska Museum to keep copy after original destroyed

By Tom Mainelli
Staff Reporter

Morrill Hall's biggest attraction, the 18-foot-tall baluchithere, is no longer a one of a kind.

Nebraska now has two baluchitheres — at least for now. The second, a recently completed replica, resides in the WyoBraska Museum in Gering, a museum official said.

Don Steen, director of the WyoBraska Museum, said the replica would become the lone "critter" after the Morrill Hall model, which is laden with asbestos, was destroyed, probably in April.

Steen said WyoBraska's in-house artist Ron Kephart and Tim Pace, an artist from Wisconsin, had worked on the replica since September.

Because the replica was so large, finding a big enough work space was tough, Steen said. No warehouse in Gering was large enough, he said.

Consequently, the replica was made in a warehouse in the town of Morrill, about 20 miles west of Gering.

Once the replica was finished, moving it proved to be interesting, too, Steen said.

He said the warehouse's 14-foot-tall door wasn't adequate, so it was enlarged so the

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