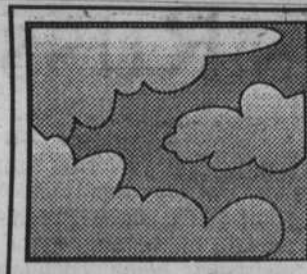


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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Today, mostly cloudy, north winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers. Friday, partly cloudy with a high of 60 to 65.

## Women's center board dissolved

By Alan Phelps  
Senior Editor

A long-running dispute over who governs the UNL Women's Resource Center led to the dissolution of its advisory board Monday, disfranchising some members of the organization that started the center.

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs James Griesen, who is in charge of the WRC as a Fund "B" organization under the Campus Activities and Programs Office, said the board was dissolved to end a gridlock that had occurred because of infighting between the board and university-hired WRC coordinators.

A new board will be appointed in the fall, he said.

Marilyn Bugenhagen, CAP director, dissolved the board after ongoing internal disagreements over which body — the advisory board, the WRC Collective or the coordinator — could make decisions for the center.

Vanessa Spencer, a member of the collective and what used to be the WRC advisory board, said most of the staff and volunteers at the center left in protest of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's action.

"To us, that's not the WRC anymore," Spencer, a UNL senior, said. "The WRC was run by a collective. This is something completely differ-

ent."

Griesen said the collective, which began the WRC in the 1970s and had been integral in operating it through the advisory board, was not recognized by UNL as the governing body of the center.

Spencer said the WRC became a part of CAP in 1980. While this enabled the organization to use student fees, it also meant that the WRC came under the auspices of UNL's administration in accordance with Fund "B" regulations, which require administrative control.

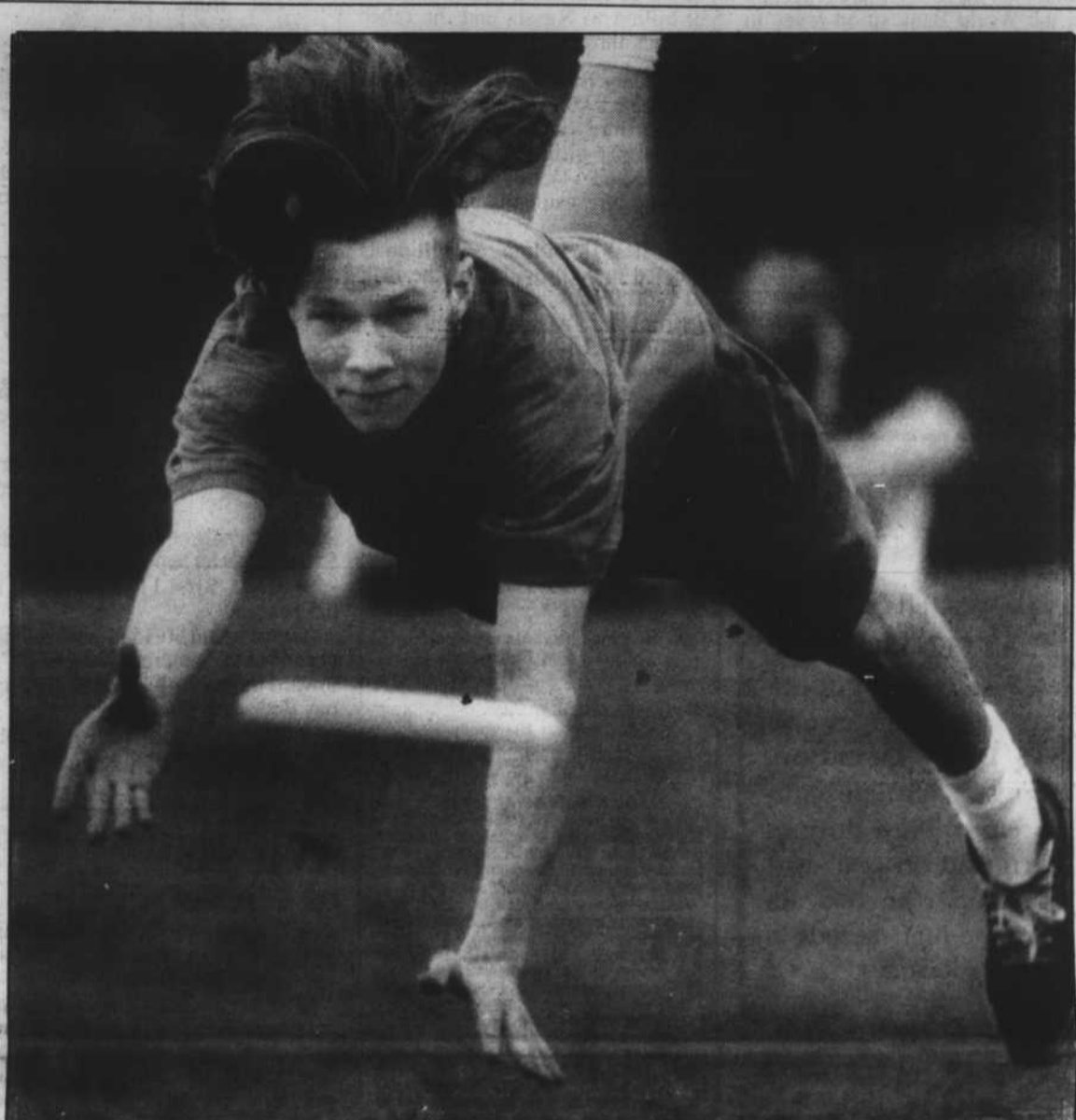
But Griesen said members of the collective, which now will be a separate student organization under the Feminist Action Alliance, resisted efforts to take WRC decision-making power away from them and put it in the hands of a university-appointed coordinator.

Spencer said the women of the collective saw such moves as the university taking the WRC away from them.

"No one wanted a coordinator," she said. "We were fine for 15 years without one."

She said the collective had been having problems with the coordinators in recent years. Coordinators, she said, should help the collective carry out its policies.

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Shaun Sartir/DN

### Hair-raising

Dale Badley, a freshman marketing major, dives to catch a frisbee Wednesday afternoon in the garden area east of Love Library.

## DWI bill could create ambiguity, officials say

By Jeremy Fitzpatrick  
Senior Reporter

Tougher penalties for fourth-offense drunken driving included in a bill passed Tuesday by the Nebraska Legislature could create problems for prosecutors and be challenged in court, a UNL professor said.

Karen Knight-Eagan, an assistant professor of law at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said LB291 could create problems because one of its sections provided a felony sentence for a misdemeanor offense.

Section 1 of LB291 amends Nebraska statute 28-106 to provide for a maximum of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for a fourth conviction of driving while intoxicated. The maximum misdemeanor penalty in

Nebraska before LB291 was one year in prison and a \$1,000 fine.

Knight-Eagan said constitutional problems could occur if prosecutors attempted to prosecute the fourth-offense DWI. Because it is labeled as a misdemeanor offense but carries a felony punishment, those prosecuted under the law could challenge their convictions in court, claiming their due-process rights had been violated, she said.

Persons prosecuted under felony offenses have privileges that misdemeanor offenders do not, she said.

Felony offenders have the right to a preliminary hearing, to be tried in a district rather than county court, to question the prosecution's witnesses on the record before the trial and to discovery — the right to find out about the prosecution's case.

"If you were charged with a class W misdemeanor (drunken driving),

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## Officials plan waste plant

### Spanier freezes spending to save funds for facility

By Sean Green  
Senior Reporter

Chancellor Graham Spanier froze spending this week on all instructional equipment at UNL to reserve funds for a new hazardous-waste treatment plant — a plant university officials said was badly needed.

In a speech to the Academic Senate Tuesday, Spanier said the \$250,000 to \$300,000 needed to replace the existing plant would come out of

UNL's "hide."

But Jack Goebel, vice chancellor of business and finance at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said funds would not come from money already designated for other areas, and the money would be rerouted for only one fiscal year.

"(Spanier) simply opted not to buy some equipment that he might have otherwise because he feels so strongly about this new plant," Goebel said. "He has been very conservative in his spending so far and has some funds available to meet this need."

The Nebraska Legislature adjourned Tuesday without providing funds for the waste treatment plant, which UNL has been requesting for the past two years.

By building the new plant, Goebel said, university officials hope to put UNL in, or above, compliance with Environmental Protection Agency regulations.

He said EPA officials had contacted UNL with concerns that the university needed to comply more closely with the agency's requirements.

"The inspection showed some deficiencies," he said. "Nobody knows what timetable the EPA is on, but the point is, we can either pay more fines or create a better facility."

The existing 400-square-foot plant on East Campus is scheduled to be replaced by a 2,000-square-foot plant

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## UNL fees lowest in Big Eight despite increases

### Students to face 5.85 percent hike, administrator says

By Cindy Kimbrough  
Senior Reporter

Despite an overall 5.85 percent increase in University Programs and Facilities Fees next year, UNL students still will pay the lowest fees compared to other Big Eight schools, an official said.

James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs, said a study dated Feb. 21 showed that this year's student fees of \$176 — excluding those for the University Health Center

because health programs vary — were the lowest in the Big Eight.

Although UNL students will have to pay about \$10 more next year in student fees, Griesen said, those fees still will be below the average of Big Eight schools.

The average, excluding health care, for the 1991-92 academic year was \$271. At \$176, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is \$95 below the average.

The NU Board of Regents Saturday approved UNL's increase of \$9.97 in Fund B fees, as well as increases in student fees at the other three University of Nebraska campuses.

The increases were:

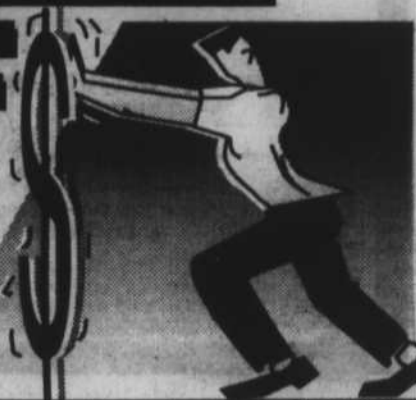
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### Big 8 student fee comparison

The following represents the 1991-92 school year and excludes health costs

Colorado	\$451
Oklahoma	275
Oklahoma St.	272
Missouri	251
Iowa St.	232
Kansas St.	215
Kansas	199
Nebraska	\$176

Source: Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



Scott Maurer/DN

### THURSDAY

Clarification: Nine members of Scarlet & Cream will tour as part of a Department of Defense Armed Forces Professional Entertainment program, not the USO, as a story in Wednesday's paper reported.

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