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Marcus Mueller, a junior math major, fertilizes Big Bluestem prairie grass as part of Professor Kathleen Keeler's experiment testing the plants adaptability to drought.

New map could simplify parking

By Brian Sharp
Staff Reporter

The new parking handbook may soon be mapped out.

At the Parking Advisory Committee's monthly meeting Thursday, Parking Manager Tad McDowell said he was developing a plan that would place campus parking information on one map.

Currently, UNL uses a parking handbook. The map idea was tried a few years ago, he said, but after many complaints the handbook returned.

When the old map was unfolded, the type went in all directions, he said, making it difficult to read.

The new proposal would eliminate that problem, placing the entire handbook on the back of the map, he said.

Maps would be enlarged, he said, and important laws highlighted.

"There's a lot of things that are hidden in that handbook unless you just sit down and read the whole thing," he said. "I would like to make it as easy to read as possible."

Dean Waddel, chairman of the committee, said emphasizing specific points should "make it easier to wade your way through."

"If (map users) get no further than that, then at least they'll have a basic sense of parking rules and regulations."

Other committee members suggested including bus-route schedules and stops. McDowell said any additions that would make the map more useful only furthered its purpose.

"I think our objective is to try and

educate the students so that they don't get all these tickets," he said. "My office isn't there just to take their money."

McDowell said he eventually wanted to develop a handicap-accessible map, showing where proper stalls and building entrances were.

The committee also heard concerns about the bicycle dismount-zone proposal, but Waddel said no decision would be made for a while.

Mike Cacak, transportation manager, presented a package of parking lot improvements, totaling \$575,000. There was not enough money in bond surplus, he said, to cover that amount. Priority was given to the student lot east of Abel-Sandoz Halls, and the committee will decide on recommendations at a future meeting.

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said. After an investigation, the penalty would fit the violation.

For example, a proven sexual assault would result in immediate termination and a criminal investigation,

he said.

Although staff members rarely have abused student relationships sexually or romantically in the past, he said, the statement would encourage them not to do it in the future.

"I don't think we have had many problems here," he said. "Let's try to keep it that way."

Adams

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tenant, he encountered even more animosity.

"With the segregation going on at that time, a black man going around with wings, a lieutenant, walking down the street in Chicago or anywhere was great for us," he said.

"I was walking down the street in South Carolina with wings, and I was really cool walking there with my little girlfriend, and I was taken in for impersonating an officer," he laughed.

Adams took a more serious tone when he said blacks ran into opposition when trying to give their lives for the war efforts.

"We said we want our blood in the war," he said.

Adams left the UNL cadets with a final message.

"If you want, you can make it," he said. "There was a time when I couldn't stand and talk to you right now."

Adams said anger and frustration had continued to follow him even after serving his country for so many years, because he still saw discrimination today.

"There are four squadrons of Klans right here in Lincoln," he said.

He said the fight to stop discrimination in the military also must continue.

"I see that discrimination is trying

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retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel

to come back. Unless we make a definite effort to curb it, we'll be in serious trouble," he said.

Adams said he had noticed a recent decline of blacks in the military.

"There are fewer black officers at SAC (Strategic Air Command) than there were before," he said.

Adams said although there were blacks in high positions such as Gen. Colin Powell, he said they were just tokens.

"They say, 'We've got your tokenism and power, what else do you want?'" he said.

After he retired in 1962, Adams went on to pursue a teaching career. He taught at Lincoln High School for 19 years until retiring in 1983.

Adams said teaching and education were the best ways to fight discrimination. He focused on getting high school dropouts back in school.

"We need education to end segregation and discrimination on both sides," Adams said.

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