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EDITORIAL

Campaign '94 Daily Nebraskan Endorsements

Ready to serve

Miller takes a stand; Hoch waffles

In the race for the 4th District seat for the NU Board of Regents, one candidate has a plan that is well thought out; the other has none.

Drew Miller already is prepared to be a member of the board. Nancy Hoch has been a regent since 1982, but still is unprepared.

In December, the regents will make a decision on a new engineering college at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, but Hoch is not ready.

Hoch has publicly stated both her approval and disapproval of the new college, depending on her audience. Her stance now is that she'll support the recommendation of NU President Dennis Smith. Her indecision does not bode well.

On such a vital issue to the university, regents candidates should make up their minds. They should, with a vote looming, have come to a conclusion. Hoch should not be hanging on the word of the president.

While Hoch has felt out popular opinion, Miller has mapped out the possibilities. Though his proposal would not keep a college dean at UNL, (he's proposed to rotate the dean between UNO and UNL every five years) at least he's considered the options.

Miller also would encourage NU to adopt techniques to control administrative costs, something he has practiced in the business world at ConAgra. He already has proposed a regent subcommittee devoted to cutting costs.

Drew Miller is ready to step in as a regent. The Daily Nebraskan endorses him because he would bring a new perspective to the board, something Nancy Hoch has failed to add in more than 10 years as a regent.

Tie-breaker

Regents need Hassebrook's rural ties

Two qualified candidates are running for the vacant 3rd District seat for the NU Board of Regents.

Chuck Hassebrook, a program director at the Center for Rural Affairs in Walthill, and Keith Vrbrick, a physician from Norfolk, both are seeking the position.

In this race, the Daily Nebraskan favors Hassebrook slightly over Vrbrick because we feel Hassebrook's representation of rural Nebraska would add a needed perspective to the board.

Hassebrook's focus on accessibility also is commendable. Hassebrook said he worried that higher education was becoming too expensive for many Nebraskans. He also said NU's policy of equal recognition of women and minorities would be one of his priorities.

Both Vrbrick and Hassebrook are against the creation of a separate engineering college at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Both favor NU President Dennis Smith's plan to assume greater control over the university's budget.

"He's a very capable man," Hassebrook said of Smith. "Sometimes I agree with him, and sometimes I don't."

We agree that Hassebrook would be good for the NU Board of Regents.

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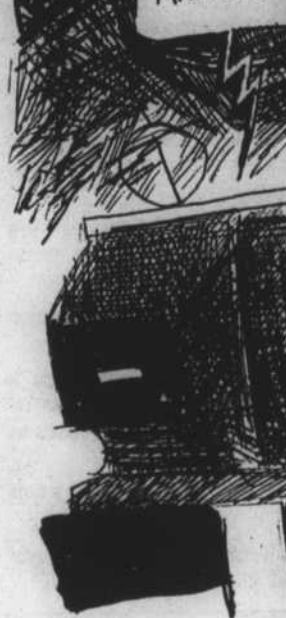
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ignorance

The cries of ignorance once again plea for a chance to be heard through Daily Nebraskan columnist Jamie Karl (DN, Oct. 29, 1994). Since no one has actually quoted me, one of the whiny applicants, I intend to speak for myself on this Homecoming issue and once again "poop on the party."

The intentions Kwani and I had when deciding to appeal the Homecoming Royalty selection process were to point out the inconsistencies and gray matter. If the main application stipulations had been clear and adhered to, there would not have been three extra people added to the candidate total, and applicants could not use university-affiliated activities as university-related activities for application requirements.

There were also indications that the main criteria by which the applicants were to be judged was overridden by a completely different category. Shall I continue ...?

These were our main points, overlooked from the beginning. Neither one of us was asking to automatically be Homecoming royalty or to receive an interview (which we both rightfully deserved) solely based on the color of our skin.

As Andy Vuko, Homecoming royalty chairperson, so 'eloquently' said: "There's nothing (on the application) that says please mark your religion, your race." But it didn't take a rocket scientist to figure those things out. Race and ethnicity were shown through our essays, community-related activities, honors, awards and scholarships, and some university-related activities.

We represent those people who feel left out of Homecoming each year: nongreeks, on-campus residents, off-campus residents, athletes and people of color (to name a few). Nobody cares about Homecoming, or votes in its election, because it is not an inclusive event representing the diversity on campus.

No one knows the candidates. As a matter of fact, a good question to ask is: "Why is this whole process so secretive?" Why can students not see the candidates' applications to see what contributions candidates have given to this campus as leaders?

So, Mr. Karl, when you men-

tioned in your irrelevant article that I felt the selection process was biased ... you bet I do! When the chairwoman of the Homecoming royalty committee makes a remark like: "Ayanna, hopefully, after all this is over we can be friends. And, hopefully, you won't try to jump me on campus," I tend to feel like the odds were definitely against me.

As for your whole bit on slavery and that "30 million black Americans have achieved a measure of prosperity and freedom ..." save that verbal diarrhea and total misconception for another day.

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Bret Gottschall/DN

Goal Posts

Let me see if I have this right. When dealing with the UNL police, it is more dangerous to walk down Holdrege Street in a lawful manner than to unlawfully destroy state (\$8,000 goal posts) and private (ABC television camera) property in Memorial Stadium? What kind of mixed messages are the UNL police sending?

Why was the word put out on Friday that no attempt would be made to stop fans from tearing down the goal posts? Why, instead, wasn't it announced that video cameras would be focused on each goal post, and any UNL student who was identified attempting to or tearing down a goal post would be subject to the university's disciplinary code?

Why wasn't it announced that any nonstudent who was identified

attempting to or tearing down the goal post would be subject to state law and would be dealt with in such a manner? By announcing no attempt to stop this vandalistic attack would be made, isn't it logical to assume that the UNL police are liable for the damage subsequent to their ill-fated announcement?

Why should the UNL athletic department have to assume the cost to replace the vandalized goal posts? It's about time that we as students demand more from the "campus cops" than merely being a bunch of bureaucratic meter maids.

If I was Tom Osborne or "Slick Willie-the-ticket-price-raiser" Byrne, the goal post bill would go to the UNL Police.

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Good Luck

I feel somewhat obligated to write this letter, since I was all set to write a really nasty letter to the DN after the Buffs trampled your beloved Cornhuskers; and I, in turn, got lynched after the game.

Well, neither happened, and I must commend the Husker fans for being pretty decent about the whole ordeal. I did receive several negative comments while making my way to my seat, but trash-talking is an integral part of all sports. And as the game wore on and a Husker victory became eminent, a few comments were mostly good-natured and consolatory.

So I escaped from Memorial Stadium embarrassed but unscathed. I have to hand it to the Husker fans for being courteous — and even somewhat humble — winners. I don't know what would have happened had the Buffs actually won, but I guess I'll have to wait until '96 to find out.

Congratulations to the Huskers and all of their fans. They beat the best team in the nation on Saturday and deserve to win it all. I'm rooting for you from here on out. Good luck in the Orange Bowl.

As for my beaten Buffaloes, I'm left with the lingering thought of the Nebraska state motto: "There's always next year."

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