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David Corbin, a University of Nebraska at Omaha health education professor, said vendors weren't doing their jobs as responsible adults.

"Vending machines make it too easy for minors to purchase tobacco products, and vendors have a poor history of exhibiting vigilance in monitoring vending machine sales of tobacco products," he said.

Opponents of the bill say they feel they are complying with 1993 legislation that prohibited vending machines in areas frequented by minors and only allowed them in businesses with liquor licenses.

Walter Radcliffe, a lobbyist for the Nebraska Automatic Merchandising Council, said he believed his industry was keeping up its end of the law.

Radcliffe disputed Omaha Sen.

Ernie Chambers' claim that some "illegal" vendors possibly put cigarettes where minors could steal them in hopes of getting them addicted and leading them to buy more.

"I don't know of any retailer in the world who is going to enhance shoplifting," he said.

Art Nepl, an owner of a vending machine company in Omaha, said the elimination of vending machines would not lead to fewer users.

"If they want them, they will get them," he said.

Chambers asked if the proposed ban would put Nepl's company out of business. Earlier, Nepl said that 16 percent of his clients were from the tobacco industry.

"No, it would not," he replied.

The committee took no action on the bill Friday.

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Regents accept offer for broadcast rights

By Julie Sobczyk
Senior Reporter

After 13 years as the flagship station of the Nebraska Sports Network, KFAB no longer will have the exclusive rights to broadcast Cornhusker athletic events.

NU Regents



The NU Board of Regents approved a proposal by Great Plains Media Inc. of Elkhorn on Saturday for the exclusive rights to Husker football, volleyball and men's and women's basketball games.

Great Plains offered the University of Nebraska-Lincoln an \$8.6 million five-year contract for the broadcasting rights. The contract begins Aug. 1.

Regent John Payne of Kearney said the proposal was good for UNL and Lincoln.

"That \$8.6 million probably puts the university in the top five radio contracts in the country," Payne said. "It's a tremendous situation for Lincoln."

Paul Aaron, president of Great Plains, said he was glad the wait for the regents' approval was finally over.

"It's a big relief," Aaron said. "Now we can try to recover some of that \$8.6 million through advertising."

Aaron said he would try to keep KFAB's Kent Pavelka as the play-by-play announcer for Husker football and men's basketball games. No formal contract with Pavelka has been

made yet, he said.

Now, Aaron said, he and his partner, Dale Jensen of Lincoln, would be accepting bids from radio stations to broadcast Husker games.

So far, he said, four radio stations in Omaha and Lincoln, including KFAB, have put in bids to be local affiliates.

Aaron would not say if he had negotiated with John Mitchell of KKR in Omaha, and declined to say what other stations had requested bids.

The network will not have a flagship station, he said.

Many of the 27 Nebraska stations on the network have requested to remain aboard, he said.

Other stations in California, Arkansas and South Dakota also have put in bids to Great Plains about broadcasting Husker events, Aaron said. He would not say which stations contacted him.

In other business, the board approved:

— a 5.2 percent increase for 1996-97 UNL residence hall room and board rates for students choosing a double room with 20 meals per week. The current cost for that plan is \$3,350 each year. With the increase, the cost will be \$3,525.

— a 4.4 percent increase for 1996-97 for students choosing a double room with 14 meals each week. UNL now offers a double room with 13 meals each week for \$3,295. The new cost for 1996-97 will be \$3,440.

— a request from the University of Nebraska Medical Center to add two floors to its transplant center at a cost of \$5.7 million.

Friendship should hinder use of violence, poet says

By Todd Anderson
Staff Reporter

B.F. Maiz left his audience confounded and awe-inspired.

Maiz recited his poetry and spoke for a short time Friday evening at the UNL Culture Center.

His role as a poet, he said, was to "articulate the pain and hope of the people and to find somewhere in that a recurring theme of beauty."

Maiz, whose poetry tells the stories of people who have experienced pain in their lives, recounted the background stories of those in his poems.

Poets not only give the facts but also a "feeling for the facts," he said.

"Poetry can be the key to healing and a tool of instruction," he said. "It offers an invitation for change."

Maiz attended the universities of

Missouri, Ohio and Kansas and has been the recipient of several honorary doctorate degrees.

In 1993, Maiz received the Wesleyan Peace and Justice Award for his commitment to teaching and practicing the principles of nonviolence.

People make the choice of whether to use violence and should use it only as a last resort, he said. There are many alternatives to using violence.

"If you have to use it," he said, "lament it and mourn it."

People should move toward friendship and understanding, he said.

After his recitation, Maiz said students should continue to write, seek input from others and pay attention to members of older generations.

"Draw upon the collective wisdom of our elders rather than the collective stupidity of youth," he said.

Drunken driving bill passed

In a 35-0 vote Friday, the Nebraska Legislature passed a bill that made it a criminal offense for suspected drunken drivers to refuse to take a blood, breath or urine test.

Minden Sen. Doug Kristensen attached an emergency clause on LB939 that would put it into effect as soon as Gov. Ben Nelson signed it. Nelson is expected to sign it, but he has been out of town.

Sen. LaVon Crosby of Lincoln made LB939 her priority bill earlier this session.

The law would keep drunken drivers from slipping through legal loopholes, according to sources.

In a Transportation Committee hearing last month, Diane Riibe, the public policy liaison for Nebraska Mothers Against Drunk Drivers called LB939, "a sound and needed attempt to clean up the state's drunken driving laws."

Nelson is expected to sign the bill into law this week.

— Ted Taylor

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