

Ethics code's first draft released

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It's only five lines long, but for ASUN President Eric Marintzer, the Code of Ethics took months of work and a lot of input to finish. The document's draft, released for the first time this week, was one of the first ideas Chancellor James Moeser had when he took office at UNL last spring. Moeser asked the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska president to draft the code last fall. The result was a document that contains five sentences broken into six paragraphs addressing such virtues as respect, compassion, honesty, humbleness and dignity. "There are so many factors you



can address," Marintzer said, "but you want to keep it general to avoid confusion." One such factor Marintzer had to consider was religion. "To me, personally, religion is very important," Marintzer said. "But there is such a diversity of religions, and even people that don't believe in religion, you don't want to trample on anyone's beliefs." Marintzer said the current Code of Ethics is a draft, and he will continue to gather student input on the document until he presents a final copy to ASUN April 2. But until then, Marintzer encourages students to offer their

comments on the code by calling or bringing suggestions to the ASUN office, the meetings or college representatives. Here is the code in its condensed draft version:

"I will RESPECT all others, their thoughts and aspirations, and my surrounding environment as a whole. I will have COMPASSION for those less fortunate than I. I will be HONEST with whom I interact, and will practice integrity in my daily decisions.

"I will be HUMBLE, always mindful of the sacrifices made for me. All the while being DIGNIFIED in who I am, striving to overcome the obstacles presented to me and mindful of my own responsibilities."

New technology eases path to 21st century

By JOSH FUNK
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Technology is rapidly changing the face of business and society as the year 2000 approaches.

"The future is sooner than you think," AT&T Network manager Jack Majewski said.

He spoke to the University of Nebraska Office Personnel Association at lunch Tuesday about AT&T's vision of the technology of the future.

Customers are buying differently and the office is being redefined by home, shared and mobile offices, he said. These factors present new challenges to the business world, Majewski said.

"Customers want to be able to work with whomever they want, wherever they want, whenever they want and however they want," Majewski said.

The role of secretaries and personal assistants may be redefined as voice-operated computers develop, he said.

AT&T is one of the leading companies working to develop voice recognition software that will be able to transcribe anyone's voice without learning it, Majewski said. He said it's possible the voice recognition feature will lead to computers that obey commands without a keyboard or mouse. The use of multimedia in business and daily life is constantly expanding. The need to handle multimedia transmis-

sions will also shape the technology development, he said.

"Currently businesses operate on the idea of print/distribute instead of distribute/print," Majewski said.

In a print/distribute system, information is printed in mass quantities and then distributed, he said. Much of the information distributed this way is unwanted and outdated.

In a distribute/print system all the information is readily available and only the desired, current information is printed, Majewski said.

Another new service AT&T is developing will be able to locate anyone at any time.

"We realized that when people call someone, they don't want to talk to a telephone. They want to talk to a person," Majewski said. "We just had to figure out how to make a person ring."

AT&T answered that call with the Personal Reach system that allows users to contact someone regardless of where he or she is, Majewski said. After the network receives a call at a special personalized number it sends out a national page to locate the person.

Along with the page the person also receives information about the phone call, so he or she can decide whether to respond.

If the call is not answered, it is transferred to voice mailbox where the message can be picked up later, he said.

Repairs have \$95-million price tag

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Deferred maintenance has reached \$110 million. But that figure only includes the greatest of maintenance needs, Smith said.

Sen. Don Wesely of Lincoln, who co-sponsored LB857 with Sen. Daniel Lynch of Omaha, said Nebraska was paying a heavy price by allowing building maintenance funding to lag by so great an amount.

"If we let this go on ... we're going to dig a hole so deep that I don't know how we'll get out of it," Wesely said.

LB857 would eliminate 70 percent of the university's deferred maintenance by issuing \$95 million in bonds to fund major renovations to buildings on NU campuses.

In past budget-crunching years, maintenance initiatives were the first projects cut, he said. Wesely said the state now has the means to fund the "ignored maintenance" projects.

Smith said the funding was essential to keep older buildings open and functional, including the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Richards Hall.

Richards Hall was built in 1908, and would soon be declared unusable

if major renovations were not funded, he said.

Richards Hall would receive about \$8.5 million in renovations under LB857.

UNL buildings targeted for renovations topping \$10 million are Love Library South, Hamilton Hall and Avery Hall.

Matching funds

Smith said the university would ask the state to enter into a 12- to 14-year-long partnership under LB857. Of the \$95 million to diminish the maintenance problem at NU, the state would be asked to fund half.

The university would be responsible for the other half, or \$5.5 million each year for 12 years.

To raise the annual amount, NU would likely work to save money by improving efficiency.

Some money will likely come from tuition increases, however. The university raises about \$900,000 for every 1 percent tuition increase for all students.

Eric Marintzer, UNL student government president, said students were concerned, not only about the cost of education, but the quality of facilities.

"Nobody wants to go into a classroom that is dilapidated," he said.

Lynch suggested adding an amendment to LB857, which would allocate funds to the university collected from cigarette taxes. Money from cigarette taxes are placed in the state 309 fund, which supports maintenance of state buildings.

This amount could reach \$11 million in a few years, he said.

Smith said he hoped the 309 funds would join his 10-year, \$10 million proposed increase in maintenance funds coming into the university's operating budget.

Both funding sources, along with LB857, could eliminate deferred maintenance by the year 2016, Smith said.

"We didn't get into this mess quickly, and we can't solve it overnight," he said.

But the university can make sure the maintenance backlog never occurs again.

With new buildings, Smith said, maintenance funds would be set aside at the beginning.

Law & Order

A look at crime on campus and in the community

ROBBERY

An argument in a car erupted into an attack in which a man maced a woman twice and stole her car.

The 16-year-old victim reported to police that she and two friends were driving east on Y Street between 27th and 28th streets Monday when the passengers got into a fight.

The victim stopped the car and the male passenger turned his an-

ger on her, Lincoln Police Sgt. Ann Heermann said. She said he got out of the car, walked around to her window and started yelling.

He then maced her and took the keys to her 1980 Ford Fairmont. The victim then crawled out the passenger side door, where he maced her again and took the car.

Heermann said the woman has identified the 29-year-old man, but police had not yet contacted him. The victim reported \$1,200 loss.

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