

Consultant OK's women's climate

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to make decisions in the athletics world. It would help the public view the department as an equal-opportunity department for men and women, and would help foster respect for women athletes.

■ Designate a person in the Athletic Department to handle initial complaints of harassment.

The person would serve as a liaison between the department and the

university. He or she could then make sure discipline and investigation of serious complaints, including assault, were handled by the university instead of the coach of the accused.

■ Include in the student-athlete handbook summaries of policies and procedures concerning harassment.

■ Make public the university's response to Ledbetter's report and its action on included recommendations.

Ledbetter will return to Brown University today, where she serves as vice president and legal counsel.

She had not billed the university for her services Tuesday, but UNL planned to pay her \$1,500 a day for six days, plus other expenses involved in completing the study.

Ledbetter said she planned to donate much of her fee to the Athletic Department for women's sports.

Johnson, Shoecraft among 6 candidates to advance to City Council election

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successful representation of Lincoln residents on the City Council. "I'm not afraid to vote on the issues," she said.

Even with the large portion of votes for both incumbents, returns for the other four candidates appear to indicate a close race for the upcoming general election.

Carol McShane, with 13.6 percent of the returns, placed third in the primary race. However, Jeff Fortenberry, Wayne Hart and David Hunter were not far behind with 11.7 percent, 10 percent and 9.7 percent respectively.

McShane attributed her election success to her stand against the sale of Lincoln General Hospital, as well as her support of higher wages for Lincoln firefighters.

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City Council candidate

Hart credited his successful showing in the primaries to voters' concerns about and his support of more public safety programs and public health facilities as well as an examination of current city planning and zoning regulations.

The returns indicate, he said, that voters approve of "prudent approaches to matters of govern-

ment," he said.

Two candidates, Jeff Fortenberry and David Hunter, could not be reached for comment about election results.

Unofficial results late Tuesday night showed 16.5 percent — 20,352 — of all Lincoln's registered voters cast ballots for the primary election.

Smith pushes senators to approve NU funding

BY ERIN GIBSON
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Senators who vote to put off maintenance of University of Nebraska buildings will be making a decision similar to putting off a car's oil change for years, NU President Dennis Smith said Tuesday.

"If you do that long enough, something bad happens to the engine," he said at the Lancaster County legislative breakfast in Lincoln.

Smith urged the state senators of Lancaster County to approve full funding for NU initiatives in the Legislature.

The university is in a period of massive change, he said. NU needs funding to purchase and teach new technologies, to develop distance-learning courses for nontraditional and place-bound students, to prevent tuition hikes and to compete for the brightest students, Smith said.

The university has requested funds that would allow NU to take maximum advantage of technology available to enhance teaching and learning, Smith said.

Right now, the university offers only a few distance-learning courses, most of which are in business and engineering, he said. With ample funding, courses will soon be taught in every subject using the Internet, interactive television and video conferencing.

The bond initiative to pay for deferred building maintenance also needs full funding, he said. The initiative will make 16 deteriorating NU buildings on all four campuses safe for students and faculty.

An amendment proposed to a legislative bill would eliminate the need for bonds and would provide the

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state's half of the \$105 million initiative up front, Smith said.

He said he did not care if the renovation funds came from bonds or up-front funding.

"What we want to do at the university is solve the problem," he said. Sen. DiAnna Schimek of Lincoln said up-front funding, taken from the state's revenue surplus, would save \$40 million in long-range costs.

Smith reminded senators that state support of the university has decreased steadily for years, he said, and every dollar lost in state funds raises each student's tuition by \$3.70.

Instead of charging more tuition, the university should be increasing the number and amount of scholarships provided to students, he said.

"I'm tired of losing our best students" to neighboring universities, he said.

Jim Griesen, UNL vice chancellor for student affairs, said Iowa State offers free room, board and tuition to any National Merit Scholar.

Nebraska does not have the money to do so, he said.

Smith said the university wanted to help students become life-long learners, but that mission is expensive.

Full funding from the Legislature would be an important step toward accomplishing this goal, he said.

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