



Plan will rearrange East Campus layout

Connection to City Campus is an aim

Editor's note: Today is the second in a two-part look at how UNL's new 12-year plan will reshape City and East campuses.

BY JESSICA FARGEN
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Add several large, stately columns and a new natural sciences complex. Divide East Campus by a long, grassy mall to stroll along.

Subtract the tractor testing track, and Biochemistry Hall and take away a few parking lots.

What you get is East Campus under UNL's Preliminary Master Plan, which will give face lifts to City and East campuses over the next 12 years and beyond.

Russell Butler, vice president of EDAA, a Denver architecture firm, said parking, academic buildings and recreation fields will not disappear; they just will be rearranged amid new buildings.

Similar to City Campus, East Campus also will have a mall extending from its union. The mall will provide more direct access to the union.

Buildings now in the path of the East Union Mall, such as the Natural Resource Hall and Water Resource Lab, will be relocated.

A parking structure will be built east of Chase Hall to compensate for lost parking lots. An academic building will be built south of the new parking structure.

The academic building will compensate for some of the buildings destroyed in the East Union Mall construction.

The Maxwell Arboretum will extend north, stopping at the Animal Science Building. Butler said several small buildings and greenhouses will be relocated to the area north of the Animal Science Building.

East of the union mall and west of the Animal Science Building, where the livestock judging pavilion, Forestry Service building and a parking lot are now, a Natural Resource Sciences Center will be built.

Edna McBreen, associate vice chancellor for the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, said the addition of the Natural Science Resource Center would be a huge asset to East Campus.

The resource center will be convenient because natural resource buildings would be grouped together.

Another asset to the campus will be a recreation center twice the size of the existing one. The new center will be built where Biochemistry Hall now sits.

Butler said most of the functions of the hall have been transferred to the Beadle Center.

The Activities Building may be turned into a residence hall if it is needed, Butler said.

Four lighted recreation fields will be built directly east of the extended arboretum. A parking lot will replace the existing fields.

Between the Clifford Hardin Center for Continuing Education and the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Center, a National Center for Information Technologies and Education will be built.

Butler said the tractor testing track will be replaced by a parking lot and possibly a new building.

The new campus will be surrounded on all sides, but the west side will have a 50 feet width of wooded walking trail. The foliage will serve as a buffer from the surrounding traffic.

Isolating the campus from traffic is a goal of East and City campus plans, Butler said.

Motorists will be able to enter the campus from 48th Street on Francis

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Street. The north entrance will be on 37th Street instead of the current 39th Street entrance. The Dental College entrance will be removed.

Visitors will use the formal entrance either from 34th Street or between 37th and 38th streets.

The addition of columns will provide “a more collegiate looking character,” and tie East Campus to City Campus, which already has columns, Butler said.

Both campuses will have similar low stone walls designating their boundaries.

A stronger connection between the two campuses is something the University of Nebraska-Lincoln needs, McBreen said.

McBreen said her biggest concern about the plan was whether it would solve the parking problems that occur when people travel between the two campuses.

“If faculty on the East Campus need to go down to City Campus for a meeting, they have to have a way to get there real fast and have to have a parking spot,” McBreen said.

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Survey: School-to-Work program tops with parents

BY TODD ANDERSON
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Nebraska parents are happy with the federally funded School-to-Work program, Gov. Ben Nelson announced during his weekly teleconference Tuesday morning.

According to a survey commissioned by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, 86 percent of Nebraska parents think the School-to-Work and School-to-Career programs are beneficial for Nebraska's students.

Nelson said the results of the survey showed the success of the program, which is funded by federal grants and private donations.

Six hundred parents, from Nebraska's 93 counties, were asked a series of questions during phone surveys conducted by Arizona State University in July.

More than half the parents said they were familiar with the program initiative, which seeks to bring together business leaders, educators and students through internships and presentations. It also provides guidance in training for skills and career opportunities.

Ninety-two percent of those polled said schools should be more geared to teaching students job skills like teamwork and

organization, and nearly 10 percent said they would move their children to a school that participates in the initiative.

Congress created the School-to-Work program in 1994 and granted Nebraska five years of funding, which will be cut off by 2000.

At that time, Nelson said, state and additional private funding will be used to operate the program.

The program has been in place for three years and has been paid for by more than \$17 million in federal funds and \$24 million in private funds.

More than 8,500 businesses and 1,315 public and private schools take part in Nebraska's program.

Nelson said the program was important not only for teaching students the career skills they need to succeed, but also for keeping workers in Nebraska.

He said he will announce in the next few weeks the launch of a private venture of his own to boost support for career skills and job retention in Nebraska.

The governor would not describe the new program, which he plans to develop with the help of state and private funding.

Complete results of the survey can be found on the World Wide Web at <http://www.stc.ded.state.ne.us/survey.html>.

ASUN Watch

And the score is ...

- The following is a list of goals ASUN has set, and the progress it has made.
- 1. Continue commitment to diversity through sponsored events and increased communication with the campus community.**
— Senators are contacting speakers for Homecoming Week, Oct. 12-17. President Sara Russell said ASUN is considering an American Indian speaker to help raise awareness of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's handling of American Indian remains.
 - 2. Maintain regular campus wide community service projects.**
— ASUN's first service project will be Sept. 27 at 8 a.m. at Memorial Stadium.
 - 3. Enhance technological services to students.**
— ASUN appointments board is looking for students with Web design experience to work on the senate's World Wide Web page. Those interested can pick up an application in the ASUN office, 115 Nebraska Union. All appointment applications are due Friday at 4 p.m.
 - 4. Research options to make student evaluations more effective.**
— Kara Slaughter, chairwoman of the Academic Committee, and Russell are discussing suggestions brought by students, faculty members and staff. ASUN's goal is to begin a university wide course and advising evaluation.
 - 5. Address campus parking concerns.**
— ASUN senators are continuing to research and discuss campus parking concerns.
 - 6. Continue efforts to unite City and East campuses.**
— The Special Topics Committee is researching possibilities to have all student organizations have at least one monthly meeting on East Campus. Russell said Campus Coalition meetings, student meetings with one delegate from each student organization, will alternate this year between City and East campuses.
 - 7. Create a larger representation of students through outreach initiatives.**
— Last week, ASUN senators voted to send Russell's request to create a new student assembly to the Special Topics Committee. Russell said the committee will look over the bylaw and bring to the senate floor any concerns or changes. The new assembly would be a check and balance measure to student government and would ensure a good cross-section of residence hall, commuter and Greek students.
 - 8. Raise awareness of the proposed spending lid amendment to the Nebraska Constitution and the immediate effects imposed on UNL and its students.**
— The NU Board of Regents passed a resolution on Friday to oppose the spending lid amendment that would reduce state educational aid. Russell said ASUN will work with members of SAStudents Against the Lid, a newly formed student organization concentrating its efforts on lobbying against the constitutional amendment proposed for the November state election ballot.
 - 9. Lobby for student input and concern regarding the ASUN government party system.**
— Town hall meetings are being organized to discuss the process of student government elections.
 - 10. Work to promote alcohol awareness and education campus wide.**
— A memorial scholarship promoting alcohol education and awareness is being created to remember UNL student Laura Cockson. Cockson, who was a junior pre-occupational therapy major and member of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, was killed in a car accident by a drunken driver. ASUN donated \$300 toward the scholarship fund.

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Deadline approaches for ISO candidates

From Staff Reports

International students interested in filling elected positions in the International Students Organization must submit their paperwork by the end of next week.

Nomination forms are available for the offices of president, executive vice president, vice president for programs and activities, vice president for affirmative action and women's affairs, treasurer and gen-

eral secretary.

The forms can be picked up at International Affairs, 1237 R St., and must be turned in there by 5 p.m. on Sept. 18.

Applicants must be full-time students and must have completed 12 undergraduate hours or nine graduate hours in order to be eligible.

Officers serve on the board for one year and work as liaisons between the international student

organization and the university. The committee also coordinates events within the organization, said Amruta Kshatriya, president of ISO.

“This organization has been active over the last 10 years,” Kshatriya said. “The major role has been to bridge gaps between cultures by coordinating activities through international affairs.”

Campaigning is allowed until 12 p.m. on Sept. 24. Elections will be on Sept. 25 in the Nebraska Union.