

Candidate meets with students

Potential arts and sciences dean is one of four considered

BY JILL ZEMAN

When interviewing for a job, most potential employees like employers to know they have an extensive resume.

But when he met representatives from the College of Arts and Sciences, dean candidate William Frawley didn't automatically list his credentials for the students.

"Bill Frawley," he said with a smile and a handshake. "Tell me about yourself."

Frawley is one of four candidates vying for the top administrative spot within the college. He serves as chairman of linguistics at the University of Delaware at Newark.

Frawley met with members of the Arts and Sciences Student Advisory Board on Monday and then held an open forum with faculty members from the college.

All candidates will participate in similar forums, said Evelyn Jacobson, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs.

Frawley is a New Jersey native and has spent the last 21 years at the University of Delaware. He served the last 15 as an administrator, he said.

"I'm loyal," he said. Frawley took a strong stance on the integration of researchers and faculty members.

"My best teachers are my best researchers," he said. "There shouldn't be a distinction between the two."

Beth Augustine, president of the Arts and Sciences student advisory board, said she was pleased the students were able to meet with Frawley.

Augustine said she was happy Frawley asked the students for their input.

"A lot of times, faculty members act like they know everything," she said.

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When Frawley met with faculty members, he said recruitment, retention and rewarding of quality faculty members was important to him.

Frawley said it would be beneficial for the university if faculty members developed diversity plans for recruiting and for their curriculum.

After Frawley spoke about recruitment and retention, English professor George Wolf brought up the issue of the impending ballot initiative, the Defense of Marriage Amendment.

If the amendment is passed by Nebraskans, same-sex marriages, civil unions and domestic partnerships will be banned in the state, which Wolf said could affect the recruitment and retention of sought-after faculty members.

Frawley said he wasn't familiar with the initiative approaching on November's ballot.

"I don't like it," he said. "It's contrary to what I believe."

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if he would still be drawn to UNL if the proposed amendment passes.

The issue of evaluating academic programs came up, and Frawley said cutting a program would be a last resort.

"It's much more pain than it's worth to get rid of a program," he said. "But it is important to look at a program to see if it's pulling its weight."

Frawley is the first candidate to come to campus to interview. Jacobson said it was important for candidates to get exposure to faculty views during the interview process.

"(The forum) allows some open, unstructured discussion," she said. "With such a large college, it's good for (the candidate) to see the different perspectives."

The next candidate to participate in the forum is Russell Tomlin, of the University of Oregon at Eugene, who is to arrive at UNL on Sept. 17, she said.

University Press moves to Haymarket

The Q Street building was too small to hold the Office of Admissions and the publishing company.

BY MAUREEN GALLAGHER

When employees of the University of Nebraska Press found out their new home would contain high, open ceilings and quaint brickwork, not many could complain.

The brickwork and ceilings in the old-fashioned building are helping to spur the creative juices of the employees, who used to work in cramped quarters they shared with the Office of Admissions.

The press started moving out of its old offices last May. Now it is moved into its new home and enjoying the extra space and improved atmos-

phere of the new location, said Erika Kuebler Rippeteau, publicity manager for the University of Nebraska Press.

The University of Nebraska Press formerly shared a building with the Office of Admissions at 14th and Q streets. The university asked the press early last fall to relocate because admissions services and the publishing operation needed to be expanded.

The University of Nebraska Press officially moved to the H. P. Lau Building, on North 8th Street, during the first week of May. The building has been converted into office space and also houses the restaurant Ruby Tuesday.

The University of Nebraska Press occupies two full floors, giving them more space with room to expand.

Kuebler Rippeteau said the press's location is another

advantage.

"We like being in the heart of the burgeoning Haymarket area," she said.

The Haymarket location provides a more creative atmosphere for University of Nebraska Press employees and authors while still being near campus, Kuebler Rippeteau said.

The Haymarket location of the University of Nebraska Press is in "a more exciting part of town," said Gary Dunham, editor of Native Studies at the press.

There are more events and activities in the Haymarket, and Dunham said he thought the press will benefit from being near this action.

The new facility will help the press handle its important responsibilities, Dunham said.

"There are a lot of people with important things to say, and we publish those books," he said.

Stenberg endorses Hagel prescription-drug plan

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Nelson has called for a comprehensive prescription drug benefit plan that would be available and affordable to all Medicare beneficiaries.

Such a plan would achieve prescription-drug discounts through competition rather than regulation, and private organizations would administer the benefit and negotiate prices, according to the Nelson campaign.

Unlike Stenberg's proposal, the Nelson proposal calls for recipients to pay a monthly premium and co-payments, Cady said. By bringing all Medicare beneficiaries into the program, she said, Nelson's proposal would spread the risk and help lower prices through the power of Medicare in the market.

Cady said Stenberg's proposal may not help some people

in rural areas because, in sparsely populated areas without many participants in the drug-card plan, prices might not fall.

"When you do have the power of Medicare in the market, it lowers drug prices, not only for seniors, but for everyone else, too," she said. "The key is to make it broad-based enough so that everyone is eligible and you spread the risk."

Cady said the limits on prescription-drug expenses provided under the catastrophic protection provisions in Stenberg's plan were too high.

"It appears people would really have to be sick to get the government to help them out," Cady said. "We believe that providing benefits for everyone would be far more beneficial in the long run."

The Nelson campaign has not put a price tag on its propos-

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Marcia Cady
Ben Nelson spokeswoman

al, which Cady said would be part of a comprehensive plan to use budget surpluses for Social Security, debt reduction, tax cuts and prescription drug benefits.

Stenberg's newest television commercial will tout his Social Security and prescription-drug plans, according to a text released Monday by his campaign.

Perlman: No dramatic cuts will be made

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Lyons Regent Chuck Hassebrook said he thought the plans Perlman outlined in his e-mail did coincide with the plan that the board passed last month.

Some regents had suggested harsher program cuts, Hassebrook said, but he also said he didn't think that was much of a reality.

Hassebrook agreed with Perlman that setting priorities did not necessarily mean extreme program cuts.

"When resources are avail-

able, we'll focus our priorities there," he said.

For instance, when the university receives a private gift or when someone retires, the money will be focused on top-rated areas, Hassebrook said.

Sheila Scheideler, Academic Senate president, said the faculty members were encouraged by Perlman's e-mail.

"It was quite positive that he communicated directly with the faculty instead of going down the regular administrative ladder," Scheideler said. "It was well-received and indicated a fair approach."

She also said it was reassuring to know that the academic prioritization was not going to be a huge process.

Nobody wants a full ranking of all programs, she said, because that makes winners and losers.

Scheideler said she didn't think programs would be cut but thought they could be starved out.

Some programs that rank low in priority will eventually die when they receive less and less money and resources each year, she said.

ASUN anticipates today's Student Court ruling on Defense of Marriage Amendment lobbying

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Any legislation that may come up in ASUN won't be introduced until the court's decision is released, Schafer said.

"It's holding up quite a bit of potential action," he said.

Schafer said because of the delay in the release of the decision, he wanted to examine the process the court goes through in releasing its decisions.

"I'm not pointing fingers, and I'm not condemning the court," he said. "A lot of people are antici-

pating this outcome."

In the past, members of the court released their decision the same night as the hearing, said Marlene Beyke, ASUN director of development.

"We need to look at the timeliness of these decisions," Beyke said.

But Steele said the amount of time the court uses depends on each individual case.

"I would rather err on the side of taking a little longer and being thorough than just cranking out a

decision for the sake of expediency," he said.

If the court rules the bylaw does not need clarification, ASUN may go ahead with legislation for or against ballot initiatives.

If the court determines the bylaw needs to be clarified, the specific bylaw will need to be rewritten for ASUN to lobby for or against initiatives. The revised bylaws will need to be passed by two-thirds of ASUN before any official action may be taken.

University Health Center director leaves university, praised by colleagues

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The project took a great deal of coordination and effort, and Herrmann was the driving force, he said.

"Her organizational skills and analytical skills were top-of-the-line," Yankech said. "She did a good job at following through with things."

Pat Tetreault, sexuality education coordinator, said Herrmann supported community health education, which included programs such as sex

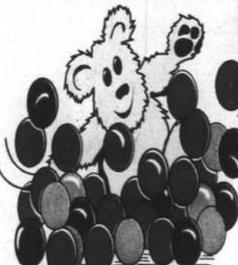
education and alcohol awareness education.

"She did a good job here," Tetreault said. "But I understand why she decided to move on."

Tetreault said she didn't think Herrmann had been planning on leaving but couldn't pass up an opportunity to be closer to her family.

This position marks the 11th open administrative spot at UNL.

Jill Zeman contributed to this report.



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