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## Hogans goals for UNL diverse

BY JILL ZEMAN

Bill Hogan has ambitious goals for the university.

If Hogan, one of the two finalists for the UNL chancellor position, is selected for the job, he said he could bring an estimated \$50 million to the university in his first 18 months and an estimated \$200 million after his first three years.

He told faculty members Monday this can be done by convincing individuals and companies to invest in the university. The money would bolster additional research programs on campus, he said.

UNL needs to draw more money from untapped sources, said Hogan, who is a member of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents and CEO of two Minneapolis companies. He also taught electrical engineering at the University of Kansas at Lawrence for nine years.

Hogan met with NU President Dennis Smith, the NU Board of Regents and students, faculty and staff while visiting Lincoln on Monday. But for Hogan, it's not all about research, science and money.

The top dollars may go to research, but it's

important that the school's liberal arts and undergraduate programs aren't neglected, he said.

"We can only build research if we first have a great undergraduate program," he said.

Hogan also said he'd work to energize the faculty. "I'm a servant leader," he said. "I don't tell people what to do - I lead by example."

Although he said it could still improve, Hogan said he thought UNL was a "great university with tremendous potential."

Andreaus Boise, staff assistant in the NU College of Law, said she was pleased Hogan talked about his commitment to diversity. For anything to change in the university, especially in terms of diversity issues, it needs to start with the top leaders, she said.

"I think he's an excellent, excellent candi-



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Chancellor candidate William Hogan meets UNL alumni Paulette Jones and Admissions secretary Edie Schleiger during a reception held in Morrill Hall. Hogan met faculty members and students Monday afternoon during a question-and-answer session.

date," she said. "He's exceeded my expectations, and I think he'd be a great addition to the university."

Michael Pflueger, a junior criminal justice

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## Programmers to enter finals

BY SHARON KOLBET

Java is more than just coffee.

For a group of University of Nebraska-Lincoln students, Java is one of the computer programming languages they will use in an upcoming international competition.

A four-student team from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln qualified for the Association for Computation Machinery computer programming World Finals to be held March 10<sup>th</sup> in Vancouver, Canada.

The team, composed of undergraduates Lucas Sabalka, Yixin "Peter" Guo, Joshua Brown and Jeffrey Ifland, received a send-off reception from UNL's computer science department Monday afternoon.

Charles Riedesel, a lecturer in computer science and engineering and the faculty sponsor and team coach, said the group worked to develop a strategy for the intense five-hour problem solving event.

"It has been practice, practice, practice," he said. Three of the four team members participated in

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## ASUN computer files erased after break-in

BY JILL CONNER

A weekend burglary left the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska office without more than 10,000 computer files - about 15 years worth of information.

ASUN President Joel Schafer said there was only one computer in the ASUN office that stored files and kept track of student government legislation on its hard drive. The rest of the computers in the office feed off it, he said.

Schafer said when the ASUN secretaries came into the office Monday morning all of the files were deleted except for software. Schafer said he thought the file deletion could have happened Sunday evening.

Most of the files have back-ups, but documents from the past three months are missing, he said.

Schafer assured students no confidential information was taken.

"Student names and Social Security numbers are not held in that computer; they are held within another inner office,"

"Its sort of one of those senseless acts of vandalism."

Joel Schafer  
ASUN president

he said.

But the way anyone got into the office is still a mystery, Schafer said.

"We really don't know how exactly they did it," he said.

"There is no sign of a break-in. The locks aren't tampered."

Students who are on an approved ASUN list can have their IDs swiped to check out an office key from the information desk in the Nebraska Union, Schafer said.

But many senators on the list told

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## UNL gains more state dollars

BY GEORGE GREEN

University officials lined up for their allowance Monday.

Flanked by chancellors, deans and faculty members, University of Nebraska President Dennis Smith led the charge to lobby lawmakers for state bucks.

Touting "nationally recognized" programs and lofty goals, Smith said the university deserved to get a hefty chunk of the state budget.

And thus far, the Legislature seems to agree.

In its preliminary budget, the Appropriations Committee dumped more than \$50 million more into the university's biennium budget than it did during the previous two-year period. The governor suggested only slightly less than the lawmakers.

The university requested about \$60 million for the same time period.

Smith said he wasn't concerned about the small difference between the university's request and appropriated dollars and lauded the committee's early decisions.

"We are extremely pleased with the level of funding the committee has proposed for the upcoming biennium," he said.

This money, Smith said, will help the university system extend the lives of renowned programs and institute its major goals, including bolstering student recruitment and increasing outreach programs to rural communities.

The university system encompasses the institution's campuses located in Lincoln, Omaha and Kearney and the Medical Center in Omaha.

Increased state dollars, Smith said, will further the university's image as a superior teaching institution.

### Legislature

Smith cited a recent award from the Association of American Colleges and Universities for "a strong commitment to a liberal education" as evidence of the university's high-end status.

In addition to improving areas where the school already excels, he said the extra money will help the university to "strengthen our outreach to Nebraskans and their communities."

The university wants to join the effort to bail out struggling rural communities by extending distance education and scattering nine new faculty members across the state who would be charged with aiding in rural economic development, Smith said.

Regent Chuck Hassebrook said extra state dollars would arm the institution with tools it needed to address the crisis in Nebraska's small communities.

"The University of Nebraska is embracing that problem as a challenge," he said.

Specifically, he said, small-town Nebraskans need help bridging the digital divide and training on how to start community businesses.

Sen. Don Pederson of North Platte congratulated Smith and the entire university on its slew of plans to improve rural Nebraska and its own programs.

"I feel a heightened vigor in the university system," he said.

But he cautioned Smith on two of his major plans: increasing enrollment and boosting tuition.

Smith, though, said the two goals could be reconciled.

"The trick is to develop the appropriate aid," he said.

Moreover, he said the tuition increases would be measured in

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## Many stunned by regent's comments

BY JILL ZEMAN

Several students and university leaders are left with questions after NU Regent Drew Miller publicly explained how increased minority recruitment could lower NU's national rankings, thus hindering the university's recruitment efforts.

Miller brought up his views during Saturday's University of Nebraska Board of Regents meeting, when the board discussed recruitment plans for its campuses.

The board passed a resolution that would beef up NU's recruiting by focusing on minority students, out-of-state students and high academic ability students.

At the meeting, Miller said nationally, minority groups scored lower on standardized tests because of cultural biases in the test questions.

National college rankings, such as U.S. News and World Report's annual list, often use incoming freshman test scores as criteria to rank schools, he said.

Although Miller said he didn't think the magazine used a good

ranking system, he acknowledged students and parents look to U.S. News when choosing a college.

Therefore, Miller said, it could hinder recruitment in the long run.

"It could be self-defeating," Miller said at the meeting.

Several students expressed disdain after reading Miller's comments in Monday's Daily Nebraskan.

Miller would not comment Monday night over the phone about minority recruitment.

Rather, he faxed a statement to the Daily Nebraskan detailing his stance on the issue.

Joel Schafer, student body president and student regent, said he wished Miller's statement would have included an apology to students of color.

"The tone of what he was trying to say was that minority recruitment would have a negative effect on our ratings," Schafer said.

James Griesen, vice chancel-

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### Election Day

Student government elections are underway today at high-traffic locations across campus, including the Nebraska and Nebraska East Unions. Polls are open from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. For more information on the run-off election, phone the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska office at (402) 472-2581.