Baker named dean of arts and sciences

Dr. Kendall L. Baker, professor and chair of the political science department at the University of Wyoming, Laramie, has been named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, President designate Otscamp has announced. The appointment is effective Aug. 1.

An expert in comparative politics, particularly the political processes in West Germany, he has also played an active role in both long- and short-term academic planning and student relations.

Baker, 39, graduated from the University of Maryland and received both master's and doctoral degrees from Georgetown University. He has twice been awarded Humboldt Fellowships for graduate and post-graduate study in West Germany and is the author or co-author of three major texts, including “Germany: Transformed: Political Culture and the New Politics,” published last year by Harvard University Press.

In 1980 he was invited by the West German Federal Government to be an “election observer,” and since then he has published extensively on his research during that time.

At the University of Wyoming, Baker was a member and chair of the Faculty Senate.

He also served as assistant vice president for academic affairs, monitoring and evaluating the implementation of new tenure and promotion procedures, coordinating a committee charged with writing a 10-year academic plan for the University, and assisting in the development of an affirmative action plan for faculty.

He has chaired the political science department since 1979.

PSC to fill six vacancies

Six vacancies on the Personnel Steering Committee must be filled in September 1982 by eligible classified staff, and applications and nominations for those positions are now being accepted.

Four of the vacancies are for full two-year terms (through September 1984). They are open to full-time classified employees as follows:

—Two to be filled from the academic area (includes employees in all colleges, student affairs and other academic areas);
—One to be filled from the custodial area of operations;
—One to be filled from the food service area of operations.

In addition, the PSC needs one full-time classified employee from the academic area to complete an unexpired term ending in September 1983.

This position is for a permanent part-time staff member who will serve a two-year term (through September 1984). The representative of part-time employees may work in any area on campus.

Employees interested in nominating themselves for any of the six vacancies should contact in writing or by phone either Bev Coppler, custodial services (2290), or Anne Baker, writing lab (22221). Interested applicants should state which position they desire and reasons for seeking that position.

Nominations will be accepted until June 21.

GTE rate increase takes high toll on University telephone bills

A telephone rental rate increase awarded by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to the General Telephone Co., effective May 5, has not yet been reflected in University phone bills, but John Doroghazi, telecommunications services, says Bowling Green has not been exempted from the rate hike.

The increase is expected to raise University telephone costs overall by about 20 percent, but Doroghazi said GTE has indicated that most administrative areas can expect an increase, on the average, of 43 percent for their telephone equipment rental. He added that the percentage of the increase could, however, be larger or smaller than 43 percent, depending upon the type of equipment rented by individual offices or departments.

The first billings from GTE reflecting the new rates are expected by the University in mid-June. The impact of the new rates on each of the 240 telephone accounts within the University is currently being reviewed by the University's chief financial officer, who controls the in University's phone accounting system.

GTE is a division of Rockwell International, one of the nation's largest conglomerates. The University is a shareholder in GTE.

Scholarship created for Grover Platt

A memorial scholarship fund has been established through the BGSC Foundation for Dr. Grover C. Platt, a noted historian, who died May 30 in St. Vincent Hospital, Toledo.

The scholarship will be awarded to a history major who is the first person in his or her family to attend college, and contributions may be made through the Foundation by contacting the Office of Alumni and Development.

Dr. Platt joined the faculty in 1946 and retired with his wife, Virginia, emeritus, history, in 1975. His research specialty was European history.

The first elected chair of the Faculty Senate in 1964-65, he was president of the Ohio Academy of History in 1956-57 and received the Academy's Distinguished Service Award in 1975. He chaired the University's history department from 1949-57 and was acting chair in 1959-60.
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New Vacancies

6-14-1 Clerk 2
Pay Range 3
Office of Admissions

6-14-2 Library Assistant
Pay Range 4
Library Cataloging Department
Secretary 1

6-14-3 Pay Range 26
Athletic Department
Secretary 1

6-14-4 Pay Range 26
Graduate Student Senate

6-14-5 Pay Range 23
University Computer Services

6-14-6 Typist 1
Pay Range 3
Political Science

Continued Vacancies

6-14-1 Clerk 2
Pay Range 3
Registration and Records

6-14-2 Word Processing Specialist 1
Pay Range 26
Firelands Campus

Opportunities

Summer members to the Student Recreation Center are now on sale in the Rec Center office for $31. Valid immediately, memberships are good through Aug. 29 and include access to the center during the Thanksgiving, Christmas and summer vacation periods. The spouse of a regular member may join for half price ($15.50), allowing all children of the household under the age of 18 to join free of charge under family plan membership.

The Rec Center will be open during the summer from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 8 p.m. Saturday and 12 to 6 p.m. Sunday. Family plan hours will be in effect whenever the center is open.

Registration for special programs to be offered during the summer, including a full range of learn-to-swim classes for children and adults, will begin at 9 a.m. June 21.

A full schedule of summer programs, workshops and clinics is available in the Rec Center office.

Personnel to take open applications

Beginning Tuesday, June 15, the Office of Personnel Support Services will begin a limited program of processing job applications for classified employment.

Anyone wishing to place an application on file may do so at any time at the personnel office, Room 13, Shatzel Hall. Office hours during the summer will be 7:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Since January 1982, because of restrictions in hiring, applications have been accepted only from individuals bidding on posted jobs.

The limited open application policy is intended to update applicant files for future job openings and to accommodate individuals wishing to place their application on file even though there may not be a suitable vacancy at the time of application.

The personnel office will continue to receive applications for posted job opportunities any day of the week.

Faculty Senate

The proposed University financial aid bill, drafted by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee has been referred to a drafting subcommittee for refinement during the summer and early fall.

At the June 1 senate meeting, Dr. Richard Ward, chair, announced that the plan "needs further work and revision" before it will be acceptable to the faculty. The proposal had been scheduled for a senate vote at that meeting.

Dr. Betty van der Smissen, health, physical education and recreation, recently elected vice chair of the senate, will chair the subcommittee which will revise the plan. Other members are Dr. Lester Barber, English; Dr. Harvey Donley, accounting and management information systems; Dr. David Fetterman, history, and Evan Bentsch, social work.

Ward said the committee has been charged with considering an exigency plan that incorporates the existing proposal and the various written and spoken comments generated through the faculty on that proposal. A committee report is tentatively scheduled for early November.

Academic Council

Academic Council voted at its meeting May 19 to eliminate commencement at the end of fall semester 1982, citing cost savings and consistency with the standard practices of other institutions operating with a similar calendar as reasons for the change.

The motion to discontinue fall semester commencement was approved by a vote of eight to seven, with two members abstaining.

In other business, council heard a report from Dr. Beth Casey, Center for Educational Options, on the work recently completed by the task force on general education in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The task force was appointed in 1979 after Academic Council adopted a list of nine skills and functional understandings that all students should obtain from their university education. The group was charged to work with departments with the goal of assuring inclusion of those skills and understandings within the general education curriculum.

Courses in each department were reviewed and modified, and now nearly 100 courses have been approved as part of the general education core.

Casey said the core, as it now stands, is a tribute to the University and to the efforts of the task force and faculty, noting that Bowling Green's curriculum is particularly strong in the areas of art, music and cultures other than one's own.

Casey is now working with University-wide committee on general education to coordinate general education courses and requirements for all colleges. That committee is expected to recommend a University-wide core to Academic Council during fall semester 1982.

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