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Senate votes to dissolve group; agrees to list of budget priorities

Faculty Senate officially dissolved the Committee to Evaluate the President at its Jan. 22 meeting, saying that its task was complete and thanking it for its hard work.

The committee was created last spring to conduct an evaluation of President Otscamp and it released its findings Jan. 15.

Six hundred and ninety-eight tenured and probationary faculty received the survey when it was distributed in October and 346 responded. Dr. Gary Hess, chair of the committee, told the senate that he felt the responses were representative of the faculty body in general.

"We wish we could have had a higher response rate, but we still think the number returned was very good," said Dr. Peter Wood, a member of the committee.

President Otscamp addressed the senate briefly on the evaluation, saying he has taken the results very seriously. He said, "I think we have great admiration and respect even for those with whom I disagree. I will try to do better."

He also acknowledged that he realized the evaluation was a difficult task for the committee and thanked them for their work.

In other business, the senate approved a list of five budget priorities made by the Committee on Academic Affairs, while postponing a vote on a list of proposed reductions.

Senator Joe Spinelli, chair of CAA, explained that each year the committee solicits input to create a list of high priority areas and areas where cuts could be made for the annual academic budget. Last year the committee surveyed all tenured faculty, but this year data was collected from the college advisory councils. "Our lists resulted

Global warming: A universal topic unites Soviet and BGSU faculty and students

A group of faculty and 40 of the University's top students are embarking on a venture that will bring them together with professors and students from the Soviet Union to discuss global warming.

The unusual project involves a newly created interdisciplinary seminar devoted to the so-called "greenhouse effect," an exchange of faculty and students with the Soviet Union, and a live television broadcast via satellite.

In what is being described as "an impressive interdisciplinary team effort," more than a dozen faculty from nearly as many departments in three undergraduate colleges have created the global warming seminar. An estimated 500 "person hours" already have gone into planning the one-credit-hour course, which is being coordinated by the honors program, the Center for Environmental Programs and the environmental health program. The first class session will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 29.

Class members will participate in a two-hour "space bridge" teleconference on Earth Day, April 20, with representatives of the D. I. Mendeleev Institute of Chemical Technology in Moscow. It is a major Soviet school of chemical engineering.

During the satellite broadcast Soviet and Bowling Green faculty and students will discuss issues related to global warming. The program is expected to be seen live by 160 million people on Soviet television as well as by many Americans.

More than one aspect of the international project raising is unusual if not unique, according to those involved.

"This represents one of the few efforts I've seen with faculty from both sides of Ridge Street—the sciences and the humanities—working together to create a course," said seminar planning committee member Ann Laurie Friedmann, history, who first proposed Bowling Green's participation in a "space bridge" with the Soviet Union.

"Soviet educators do not have a demand," said Dr. Paul Haas, director of the honors program, who said it "has been exciting to watch faculty—who in some cases didn't know each other—develop the course. I think what we've seen is a tremendous amount of effort."

Dr. Thomas B. Cobb, director of the Center for Environmental Programs, said it's the subject of the seminar that intrigues both faculty and students.

"Global warming is certainly universal. It's something that requires everyone's concern because a solution to global warming can't be accomplished in isolation by one country," said Cobb, who coordinates the seminar with Haas and Dr. Gary Silverman, director of the environmental health program.

In addition to the large number of faculty who will be teaching the course, the seminar is atypical because prospective students couldn't simply sign up for "Hornos 330, Sec. 2208: Global Warming." They had to apply. Although a fair amount of interest was expected, Haas said faculty were delighted when more than 70 students applied and wrote essays about why they wanted to take part.

Thirty-eight undergraduates with a collective grade point average well above a 3.5 and 12 graduate students were picked to participate. Class size had to be limited because of the interactive nature of the seminar.

"We looked at grade point, why they (students) wanted to be in the class, whether they had been doing environmental work or volunteer work," Haas explained. The faculty also wanted a mix of students representing a variety of major disciplines.

The resulting class roster includes undergraduate students majoring in broadcast journalism, chemistry, environmental policy and analysis, economics, German/Russian, computer science, and other disciplines.

Ambassadors offer goodwill and helping hands to campus community

They can be seen at a wide variety of functions. Perhaps you've noticed them greeting or registering people at retiree or alumni events. They also provide van services for alumni and others at events such as homecoming. They conduct tours for select groups, assist at commencements and work in the president's box and at the Stadium Club at football games.

They are the University Ambassadors and a lot of organizations don't know how they could get by without them.

The ambassadors are a select group of approximately 40 students who volunteer their time to help University faculty, staff, alumni and distinguished guests with their events. Founded in 1974, they were originally known as the "Hosts and Hostesses" and acted as a service organization.

"The ambassadors' role has really expanded on campus," said their advisor, Jan Ruma, alumni affairs. "They used to be more loosely structured. But now they meet regularly and are playing a more active role at events. Not only are they getting a lot more out of it personally, but they truly are acting more like ambassadors for the University."

Donna Hodtscher, a senior PICO major, is the ambassadors' coordinator and has been a member for four years. Her sister had been an ambassador before her and suggested that it would be a good way to get involved in University activities.

"Being an ambassador has been a lot of fun and a good way to meet people," Hodtscher said. "We're here to provide a service, but every now and then we get to do some more glamorous things. Last year we brought back row (Junior) Eve Marie Saint to bring her to the campus. And we provided transportation for Marie Osmond when she opened for the President's Day Show."

Rich King, a senior marketing major, has been involved for the past year. "I joined because being an ambassador is an honorary type thing. It has been an awesome

University Ambassadors Wendy Wise (left) and Julie Elliott, both senior elementary education majors, welcome people at a recent tea for retiring faculty and staff.

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Three education faculty present program in Brazil

Dr. Michael P. French, Mariza A. Rybczynski and Daniel J. Tuttle, all of the College of Education and Allied Professions, were recently guests for a number of program teachers in Brazil last week. They applied a brief five-day seminar on "Current Issues in World Literacy Theory and Practice." The event was hosted by Our Lady of Mercy School Jan. 21-25 in Rio de Janeiro.

Teachers of elementary school children (K-4) in Brazil were invited to the seminar, which described current theories in reading and language development along with detailed practical applications for school settings.

The program was arranged by Elaine Aroujo and Izabel Toledo, teachers at the host school who recently participated in their master's programs at Bowling Green. Both earned master of education degrees in reading and assisted with some of the seminar sessions.

French is director of the University's Reading Center, which offers a Saturday morning program for students at 8 a.m. who are not reading at their grade level. His areas of expertise include assessment of reading instruction, intervention for computers in reading and the use of writing strategies.

Rybczynski's specialties include writing instruction and how best to back into the integration of children's literature across the curriculum.

Tuttle's research areas include comparative literacy studies and speaking/listening strategies for instruction. He will present the keynote address on the first day of the seminar.

Our Lady of Mercy is an English-speaking school in Rio which annually hosts several Bowing Green students for their student teaching experience.

Colloquium planned
"Cooperation, Coordination, Collaboration," will be the topic of the third program in the series of Toward the Complete Professional Development Series. On Feb. 15 and 16 Winter Colloquiums sponsored by the Graduate Student Professional Development Program. It will be held at 4 p.m. Monday (Jan. 28) in the current Room of the University Union. The session is open to all faculty and opportunities for graduate students to get involved in administrative and institutional boundaries.

Participating in the Colloquium will be Cheryl Coats, regional coordinator of the Western Reserve Geriatric Education Center. Also participating in the national Model Technology Systems Project, and Dr. Clyde Reddin, chair of the Special Population Resource Information Network. Both are from the Department of Human Development, College of Health and Human Services, will moderate the program.

Senate meeting from the front

from these responses and were put in the order of frequency of appearance on the surveys," he said. "There was a lot of varying opinion on the committee itself, so we listed priorities but don't necessarily endorse the order.

The findings of the approved in order forward: increase faculty compensation; increase the number of 400-level and 700-level classes; increase operating budgets; increase funds for faculty and student affairs.

The senate also approved the recommendations for the prioritized cuts which include reducing the number of computer purchasing for faculty and students; reducing funds for hiring new personnel; and reducing funds for library enhancement. Several senators said that the Senate must be careful about any cuts that might hurt by a reduction in the purchase of computers and other senators said that there were other proposals that would work.

It was agreed to postpone the vote on the cuts when Olschap suggested that representatives of the administration and him and Dr. J. Christopher Dalton, vice president for planning and budgeting, to talk about budget matters.

Also during the meeting, the senate approved revisions for the Academic Honesty Policy. One of the main changes involved the minimum and maximum penalties imposed for various offenses involving graduate students, such as plagiarism. The committee also made the policy revisions that graduate students should be held to higher standards. Senators agreed to change the maximum penalty for plagiarism to result in expulsion. It formerly was withdrawal from the course and assignment grade WF.

Also on the agenda:

-Olschap reported that the state's $20 million sewer grant that resulted from the state percent state spending cuts that were approved by the state of Ohio's requirement for last fall, and a state fund of $119 million that was a combination of using a "rainy day fund" and transferring money from excess lottery profits. "The immediate budget problem has been solved, but we still have to be careful," Olschap said. "The University's hiring freeze will stay in effect until further notice," he added.

There was no further discussion on the resolution proposed by the People For Racial Justice and tabled last month. Dr. Richard Lunde, chair of the Finance Committee, said that revisions are being made to the resolution.

Civil War relics open to public

More than 80 invited guests, including descendants of Ohioans who served in the Civil War, are expected to attend the formal opening of the 21st Ohio Volunteer infantry collection Tuesday (Jan. 29) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The adjutant's desk that traveled with the Ohio unit for the duration of the U.S. Civil War was obtained for the Center of Archives Collection recently. The desk was last on display at the Ohio Historical Society for 5,000 years ago. The task of cleaning, preserving, identifying, cataloging and managing the more than 5,000 items stored in the desk and the boxes that accompanied it is now complete.

Paul Von, archival collections, expects the materials to be used by history genealogists and the public. The collection was donated by Toledan Donna Sullivan who attended the opening.

Conference on the African hologram begins observable

Activities in celebration of African American history get underway on campus with an African Holocron Conference on Saturday (Feb. 2-3).

Dr. Mary Edmonds, vice president for student affairs, said the University is working on a project that will help students who are also training and February also is planning activities from the "Chapel of Trees," the history of the African American throughout the year.

The African Student Union is sponsoring the African Holocron Conference which will feature speakers Jelani Ayala, a political economist, Charles Frank, a political science, and several more speakers.

"We hope to open the students who are not aware of the history to a new way of thinking," Ayala said. "The theme of the conference is "Exposing the Hidden African History.""

The events begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday in the Student Union and at 9 a.m. Saturday with a program by Ayala on "How to Direct Community Activism." The conference will be followed by a lecture on "African Women: Revolutionary Movements." Aschrafi-Eason, Muhammad then will discuss "Myths and Truths About the Abyssinia Expeditionary Force."

A highlight of the upcoming event is "The African American's New History," a dinner theatre at 6 p.m. Feb. 23 in the Lenthart Grand Ballroom of the University Union. There will be a group of jazz groups ranging in age from 65 to 85 who have participated in such bands as the greatest jazz bands. The event is sponsored by the "The Meeting" at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 15 in 121 West Hall, sponsored by the Board of Black Choirs. On Feb. 17 there will be a "Celebration of Black Art" at 8 p.m. in the Historic Recital Hall of the Moore Musical Arts Center.

Ambassadors from the front

Brian O'Connor, distinguished address

Philip O'Connor, Distinguished Re-
search/Professor and director of the College of Education and Allied Professions, will be flying in to give his Distinguished Research/Creative address at 3:30 p.m. Feb. 7 in the Community Suite.

The topic of the address is "Fires, Fiction, Film, Faith, and Family: A Memoir." A reception will follow.

O'Connor is the fourth recipient of the Distinguished Research/Creative Professorship which was conferred on him by the Board of Trustees in October 1985. One of the highest honors which can be awarded to a faculty member of Bowling Green is to be given to a Bowling Green faculty member, the title recognizes a professor who has earned outstanding national or interna-
tional acclaim through research and publication in his or her chosen field of study. O'Connor is the author of many books, poetry, and short stories. His Steaming Home was nomi-

nated as Best First Novel by the American Book Awards. His most recent novel, Stoning Civilization, won the McNaughton Award and was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in Literature.

Klopping receives Teacher of Year award

Dr. Inge Klopping, business education, has been named the recipient of the 1990 Northwest Ohio Business Teachers Association Teacher of the Year award.

The award recognizes professional ac-

complishments and teaching effective-
ness.

Klopping joined the University's staff in 1988. She received her doctorate from the University of Toledo in 1989 in curriculum instruction and management information systems.

In addition to teaching, she also is a business professor at the Northeastern Business Center of Northwest Ohio. She is active in professional organizations serving as president of the Beta Eta Chapter at Delta Pi Epsilon, president-elect of the Northwest Ohio Business Teachers Association, secretary of the Ohio Small Business Association and on the recruitment committee of the Association for Business Management Services.

She also is a member of other organizations, including the American Vocational Association, the Association for Business Communication, the Association of Business Education and the Office Systems Research Association.

Grant deadline soon

Faculty members are reminded that Monday, Feb. 4, is the deadline for the 1990-91 Faculty Development Grant applications. These grants are awarded by the Faculty Development Committee in amounts above $300 for long-term developmental projects. Guidelines have been distributed to all departments or may be obtained from the Office of the President for Academic Affairs.

The Faculty Development Committee has announced that, on a trial basis, the applications for the 1990-91 Faculty Development Grants will be reviewed on the second Monday in November. Applications for projects for the 1992 calendar year will be due Nov. 12.

The symposium took place Jan. 19 at the Midel Alumni Center and centered on the theme "Canada's Native Peoples." Other speakers included Brad Marks of the University of Ottawa, and William Green, legal counsel to the Quebec Crees. There also was a panel discussion and a musical recital provided by Ivan Hammond, musical arts.

Gerry Kerr, regional director general, Ontario region, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, talked to the audience at the 1990 Redford Symposium on the topic of "Canada's Native Peoples." The symposium was held at the Midel Alumni Center and centered on the theme "Canada's Native Peoples." Other speakers included Brad Marks of the University of Ottawa, and William Green, legal counsel to the Quebec Crees. There also was a panel discussion and a musical recital provided by Ivan Hammond, musical arts.
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Faculty/Staff presentations


Richard James, Paul Makarios, and Frances Burnett, a former member of the University department, presented the conference, "French Impressionism in Music and Art," First Presbyterian Church, Frederick, as part of the Toledo Museum Satellite Group performances in conjunction with the museum's impressionist exhibit, Nov. 4.


Lewis Pulcher, physics and astronomy, "ACD and the Properties of Heavy Quarkonium," will be presented at the April 9: 9ED of Strong Fields: An Historical Perspective," the keynote address at the 1st Canadian Symposium on QCD, Gower: Conditions and Properties of Heavy Quarkonium at the University of Maryland, College Park, Aug. 9.

Douglas A. Ferguson, visiting assistant professor of psychology, presented a "top-5 paper," "Selective Exposure to Television: Predicting the Use of Cable and VCR Penetration," for the Mass Communication and the First Amendment Association. He also presented a "Focus Group Moderator Training" at VCR Usage," at the same conference.

Merrill Perlmutter, communications disorders, "Speech and Language Between ESL and SLF," which are authored and co-authored by Professors Stettner and Prazet, both of English, at the Seventh Midwest Regional TESOL Convention, St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 20.


Joyce Billings, academic advisor, "A Reality Based Course to Help Underprepared Freshmen," at the 34th Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, Nashville, TN. Nov. 3-5.

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M. Neil Bremer, Distinguished Teaching Professor, economics, "Breaking the Cycle of Service Learning and "Focus Group Moderator Training," at the Faculty, at the National Issues in Higher Education Conference, Nov. 11-12.

The paper will be published in Qualit in Offsite Conference Program by Kansas State University.

Faculty/Staff presentations: Fire

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Training program is planned for supervisors

A 13-week pre-service training program will begin Feb. 12 for new supervisors and anyone considering possible careers in supervision. The sessions will be held each Tuesday evening from 5:30-7:30 p.m. from 6:30-8:30 p.m., depending on participant preference. All classes will be held in Room 1 of the College Park Office Building.

The purpose of the program is to provide an understanding of the key personnel services offices to be closed

The offices in personnel services will be closed Jan. 29 and 30 when its staff will be training on computers for Project 90. John Moore, executive director of personnel services, said the offices phones will continue to be staffed and employees in emergency situations can be responded to by phone representatives of their calls. Department heads will be checking in periodically for any important messages.

"Originally we didn't want to close the offices completely, but as we move into this unique system, I would rather the staff get the information firsthand instead of secondhand," Moore said. "If a University staff member needs something from our offices during these two days, we will be sure to help him. But we are hoping that an early notice about the closing will first calls to the office."

Faculty/Staff positions

The following faculty positions are available:

**Applied Sciences**
- Instructor/assistant professor of economics and statistics, Finlandia College
- Temporary/probationary
- Contact Office of the Dean, Finlandia College (403-5560), Deadline: April 1.

**Biological Sciences**
- Ecologist (anticipated) assistant professor (full-time, probationary)
- Contact Reginald Noble (3284), Deadline: March 1 or until position is filled.

History: Assistant professor. Contact Gary Hess (3286), Extended deadline: Feb. 20.

Philosophy: Assistant or associate professor (teaching/adaptive). Deadline: March 1. Also, assistant or associate professor (full-time/probationary). Deadline: Dec. 15 (open until satisfactory candidates are found). For both positions, contact Edward McGilvery (3287-2117).

School of HPER: Chair and assistant/associate professor in the recreation and dance division (part-time/full-time). Contact the chair of the search and screening committee (3287-2117). Deadline: Feb. 1 or until filled.

Special Education: Assistant professor of rehabilitation counseling program, position 1. Also, assistant professor of rehabilitation counseling program, position 2. Deadline: Feb. 1 or until position is filled. Assistant professor, rank unspecified, (full-time/probationary). Deadline: March 8. For all positions, contact Edward Flosa (3287-2117).

The following administrative position is available:

**Admissions:**
- Manager of systems support services. Contact Sam Ramirez (3285), Deadline: Feb. 8.