Dr. Ron Zwierlein is the new director of intercollegiate athletics. President Carroll announced his retirement July 6.

A member of the University staff since 1981, Zwierlein succeeds Jack Gregory, who has directed the intercollegiate athletics program the past 12 years. Gregory announced his retirement earlier this year. The appointment is effective immediately, Olscamp said.

The 10th athletic director in BGSU history, Zwierlein is taking over a 19-sport program -- men's and nine women's teams -- that is one of the strongest in the MAC. This past year, Bowling Green won the conference regular season and Jacoby trophies for overall success in both men's and women's sports. "We had some very good candidates and each had strong qualities, but Ron Zwierlein was the first candidate to be the athletic director at Bowling Green," Olscamp said.

"Ron brings a wealth of administrative and sports experience to the athletic directorship. He has been an athletic director, a coach, a manager of a large sports complex at Bowling Green and an interim vice president for student affairs. He knows the University and the rich tradition of our athletics program as well as the Mid-American Conference and he knows the business realities that he will be facing," Olscamp added.

"I have high regard for Ron's intelligence, fairness, fairness and ability to make the hard decisions that go with being an athletic director. He will be an outstanding athletic director and I am pleased that he is going to continue his career at Bowling Green in this capacity," Dr. Philip Mason, vice president for University relations, said. Zwierlein's appointment represents an opportunity to further integrate athletic fundraising and marketing with similar efforts being done by the University. "Ron has expressed an interest in combining efforts and I am confident that he will do so, both here and with athletics, but the entire University." Zwierlein, who earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Bowling Green in 1968 and 1970, respectively, received his doctorate in athletic administration at Ohio State University.

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COMMENTARY

Editor, the Monitor:

I am writing on behalf of the Board of Trustees to provide some information about the upcoming search for the next president of Bowling Green State University and to request the assistance of concerned individuals who may wish to contribute to one of the important steps in searching for the next president of BGSU—the development of what is variously called a "leadership statement," "position specification" or "job description."

The board has written to a number of institutions that each of them nominate four or five individuals for the presidential search committee, individuals who have the qualities of cooperative understanding, broad knowledge of BGSU and discretion. I have asked them to respond by July 29 so that the search committee can be appointed and organized prior to late August, which is the board's target date for beginning the search itself with the placing of the usual national advertisements. The board will appoint the search committee membership after July 29 from among (a) its own members, (b) the nominees received from the groups, and (c) such other nominees as the board itself may wish to consider from among these and other groups holding an important stake in the welfare of the University. In making its appointments, the board will be cognizant of the fact that the committee should be diverse in terms of gender and ethnicity.

Finally, the board has asked me to make clear to the entire University community how it wishes to conduct the final stage of the search and screening process. Every effort will be made to maintain confidentiality for applicants and nominees in the earlier steps of the process, so that we do not lose the opportunity to consider the very best candidates. However, the board is committed to handling the on-campus interviews of the finalists in an open, public way.

B) The development of a "leadership statement" is a critical part of the search process because it defines the goals for the search and provides reasonably specific guidelines for both the search committee and the board to follow in pursuing the search. I would like to invite interested groups, units and individuals to provide input to the board about the directions/goals the University should pursue during the course of the next decade and about the critical qualities that the next president of BGSU should have in order to effectively lead the institution toward those directions or goals.

Please send any thoughts and comments you may have to me, c/o the Presidential Search Office, P.O. Box 127, BGSU by Aug. 1.

It is very likely that our search consultant from Spencer Stuart Executive Consultants will also assist the board in conducting direct interviews with critical constituency groups and others as part of the process of developing the "leadership statement."

Thank you in advance for your help as we move forward together on this important project.

C. Ellen Connally
Chair, Board of Trustees

FACULTY/STAFF POSITIONS

The following faculty positions are available:

Business Education: Instructor (terminal, full-time). Contact David Hyslop (2-2504). Deadline: July 15.

Education: Interim assistant dean for student services (internal EPA college, half-time, academic year). Also, interim assistant dean for academic programs (internal college EPA, full-time, academic year, one-year interim appointment). For both positions, contact Ronald Russell (2-7401). Deadline: July 15.


Marketing: Assistant professor (probatory, full-time). Contact James West (2-2041). Deadline: July 15. Also, visiting professor. Contact James West (2-2041). Deadline: July 1.

The following administrative positions are available:

Intercollegiate Athletics: Assistant softball coach/assistant director of concessions. Deadline: July 15. Also, diving coach (part-time). Deadline: July 22. For both positions, contact personnel services (2-8426). Also, assistant women's gymnastics coach. Deadline: July 15. Also, assistant women's tennis coach. Contact Jim Berrigan (2-2277).

Library/Music Library: Music cataloger (two temporary, full-time positions, grant-funded). Contact personnel services (2-2277).


Additional representation okayed for CSC, ASC

The Board of Trustees has approved a request from the academic and constituency groups to have additional representatives attend the trustees' committee meetings.

Administrative Staff Council and Classified Staff Council will now be able to send representatives to both the personnel/facilities committee and the finance committee, usually held the night before the board's regular semi-monthly meetings. The councils previously had only one representative from the board, the chair of each group, and had to alternate which committee meeting to attend.

The student and faculty constituency groups already have double representation.

Greg Jordan, chair of ASC last academic year, sent a memo to the board in a recent memo that in addition to the chair, the vice chairs of ASC and CSC should be allowed to attend the committee meetings. He said that it would keep both councils informed of board issues pertinent to them as well as familiarize the vice chair of the inner workings of the meetings.

The next regularly scheduled trustee meeting is Oct. 7.

ZWIERLEIN

From the front

women's swimming and diving teams. In 1984, he became associate director of the Student Recreation Center and in 1991 was appointed to direct the planning and construction of the University's $8.7 million field house. In 1992, he was named director of recreational sports at the University, which included supervision of all faculty/staff, program and financial resources associated with recreational sports.

Last year he added to his administrative credentials, serving as interim vice president for student affairs.

RETIREES

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Say hello to "Dolly"

Tickets are now on sale for "Hello, Dolly!" Sponsored by the College of Musical Arts, the show will be staged at 8 p.m. July 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, and 30 at the Robert and Laura Sturdivant Recital Hall in the Moore Music Arts Center.

Tickets are $7, $9 and $11 (with a $2 discount for children, students and senior citizens). To reserve, call 372-8171.