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Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Search Committee

Alma Armstrong (College of Public and Community Service) was named Chairperson of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Search Committee.

Acting Chancellor Hamilton issued the charge to the committee last week and was conved by Chancellor-designate Carlo Golino.

The charge follows:

The Search Committee for Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs is charged with submitting the names of five (5) candidates whom the Committee feels best qualified to serve in the capacity of Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at the University of Massachusetts at Boston. The list of five nominees, in no priority order, shall be submitted to the Chancellor no later than September 1, 1973.

The Vice Chancellor will be responsible to the Chancellor for recommendations concerning policy on student life, for administration of the budget, for student support services, for administration of student activity trust funds, and for the supervision of the following offices:

Admissions, Center for Handicapped Students, Financial Aid, Health Services, Non-Academic Advising & Counseling, Pre-Freshman Programs, Vocational Counseling & Placement, Other related offices.

He/she will insure that the needs of students will be met on a level of highest quality through evaluation of existing services, innovation in the developing areas of student life, and overall coordination of College and centralized student activities and support services.

Due to the extreme need in this area, it will be necessary for the Chancellor and the Search Committee to have continuing consultation concerning search procedures, timetables, and staff support in order to insure a speedy search process.

Vice Chancellor for Student
Affairs Search Committee

Ms. Armstrong added that "we are seeking a person with experience and ability to understand the needs of students, especially those of an urban, public institution, and management/administrative expertise that can provide leadership in a rapidly expanding and diversified academic institution."

Advertising publicly for the position will commence this week. Meanwhile, the Search Committee is asking all members of the campus community to make nominations for the position. Please send the nominations to Ms. Armstrong at Statler 588 no later than July 10.

UMass-Boston Alumni Board

The following have been elected as officers and directors of the UMass-Boston Alumni Association for the coming year:

Lana Webb Brennen '69 President
Russ MacDonald '70 Internal V.P.
James O'Leary '70 External V.P.
Andrew Warren '71 Treasurer
Connie Hathorn '73 Secretary

New Board members are:

Ellen Kelly '73
Paul Kenny '71
David White '71
Connie Hathorn '73

Trustess Statement on Columbia Point

The Board of Trustees voted to accept in principle the following statement, which reflects the beginnings of a closer and more concerted effort in campus-community relations.

The primary mission of the University of Massachusetts at Boston is to provide high quality educational opportunities to the residents of Boston and surrounding communities, particularly those whose opportunities have been limited by income or race. We recognize a special responsibility to provide maximum educational opportunity to residents of Dorchester, Columbia Point and South Boston.

To these ends, we endorse and will support:

- the completion of the campus and its adequate staffing through the next stage to full University status.
- development of an explicit admission policy emphasizing outreach in the area schools and flexible techniques for identifying qualified students;
- continuation of existing precollege programs and cooperative efforts with the Boston schools to improve access to higher education;
- increased financial aid and work-study opportunities;
- responsive and adequate academic counseling and support services.

The University of Massachusetts at Boston will remain a commuter institution, with a strong commitment to encouraging the use of mass transit rather than automobiles.

To this end, we endorse and will support:

- provision for frequent and convenient shuttle bus service between Columbia station and the campus;
- provision for direct bus service to the campus from major transfer points as indicated by student residential patterns;
- changing class schedules as necessary to minimize traffic volume;
- minimizing transit use cost through the use of parking fee revenue;
- development of a parking fee schedule that will discourage unnecessary automobile use, particularly at peak traffic hours;
- reconsideration and possible reduction of the total number of parking places planned for the campus;
- efforts to secure construction of a Columbia Point station on the Quincy line;
- efforts to secure necessary appropriations for a long-range transit link between the campus and Columbia station;
- cooperation with neighboring communities on enforcement of parking regulations;
- channelization and signal changes required for proper traffic flow on the roads and intersections affected by campus traffic.

The University is committed to minimizing student housing impact on adjacent communities.

To this end, we endorse and will support:

- cooperation between the campus and City agencies and community groups to discourage conversion of local family dwellings to student occupancy;
- active assistance to students who must live away from home, or who have formed their own households, to find adequate accommodations in communities outside of the high impact areas;
- exclusion of housing allowances from financial aid calculations, except in the case of a student who demonstrably must establish his own home within the high impact area;
- active exploration and assistance to city and community efforts to provide additional housing with no special privileges for students;
- further exploration of the combined educational and residential centers proposed by the CISG report;
- continued cooperation between the campus and the Columbia Point community to achieve beneficial change for its residents;
- city efforts to rehabilitate and revitalize the Columbia Point Housing Project for the benefit of present residents;
- previous statements that the University has no intention of taking over the project for student use.

The University is deeply concerned with the social and economic well-being of neighboring communities and the city as a whole, and is committed to furthering this well-being in all ways consistent with its skills, missions, and resources.

To these ends, we endorse and will support:

--maximum opportunities for locally-owned business to bid on supplies and services needed by the new campus;

--maximum job opportunities for local residents both through direct hiring and through contracting with local enterprises;

--active sharing between the campus and neighboring communities in recreational facilities as they become available in the next phase of campus development;

--assistance in organizing the Planning and Technical Assistance Corporation proposed by the Task Force and endorsed by the CISG;

--establishment of a cooperative and consultative process between the campus and the residents of Columbia Point on all matters of mutual concern, including education, employment, transportation, safety, recreation, shopping facilities, and housing.

The opening of the Columbia Point campus of the University of Massachusetts at Boston is an event of high potential for the University, its neighbors, and the metropolitan cities and towns. To realize this potential will require the strenuous, creative and cooperative efforts of many people both within and outside of the University.

We will need particularly the continued help and support of the elected officials who represent the areas involved. We will need also the cooperation and professional assistance of concerned state and city departments and agencies. Common work with the neighborhoods as partners, not adversaries, is essential. We foresee substantial opportunities for student, faculty, and staff involvement in community-based activities and projects. We hope that the campus will energetically respond to these opportunities with all the talents at its command.

As Trustees, we are ready to do our full share."