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The Election

February 8 and February 9 are dates to remember in the history of the University of Massachusetts at Boston. These are the days for faculty and designated professional staff to cast their ballots to have union representation by the Massachusetts Society of Professors/Faculty-Staff Union/Massachusetts Teachers Association/National Education Association or not to be represented by a union agent.

Voting takes place Tuesday and Wednesday between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the third floor lounge of Building 020. Eligible voters from the College of Public and Community Service will vote by mail ballot.

The ballots will be tabulated and counted under the direction and supervision of the agents of the State Labor Commission at 10 a.m., Thursday, February 10 at the Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, Room 1604.

Over several weeks there have been full, free, open discussions of points of view by faculty members.

It comes down to this: Everyone who is eligible should exercise their right to vote.

Trustees Back up Boston Campus

When the Board of Trustees meeting started last week, the first item on the agenda was a discussion of the request by Governor Dukakis to reconsider the construction of a gymnasium at the Harbor Campus.

For one hour and forty minutes views were expressed, starting with a motion by Secretary of Educational Affairs Paul Parks to have the Trustees reconsider actions they have taken five times previously on the gymnasium.

Chairman Joseph P. Healey admitted the motion.

President Wood said, "I believe that the history of the gymnasium project makes clear the University's continuing effort to respond to environmental, cost and design concerns raised by the Executive Offices over a period of more than three years. No construction on our campuses has had more exhaustive consideration and reconsideration. In the process, while important savings have been made in construction costs, the construction schedule has suffered and inflation has taken a heavy toll.

"Apart from questions of facility planning and cost, we still face the legal issue respecting the capacity of the Executive Office of Administration and Finance to reverse programmatic and financial decisions which are the responsibility of (Continued to page 2) Trustees Back up Boston Campus (Continued from page 1)

the Board of Trustees, and to impound direct legislative appropriations."

Trustee Robert Spiller asked that the Governor reassess his commitment to the University and the community.

Trustee Bruce Carlson noted it will cost more to delay the project; Trustee Gavin Robertson said this matter was a dilemma--there is a need and there are financial considerations.

Trustee Kit Clarke said to take the hockey rink out of the complex would be "foolish." She was backed up by Trustee Erline Shearer who commented on the proposal that UMass-Boston students use MDC rink facilities in South Boston and Neponset.

Chancellor Carlo Golino said that commuter students need recreational facilities and said the gymnasium is a necessary part of the development of UMass-Boston.

After Secretary Parks asked if there were reasonable alternatives, other Trustees showed thoughtful concern about the vote they were to take. James F. Crain, a new member said he viewed facilities at Neponset and noted the travel time there and inspected present campus facilities. He recognized cost factors and balanced it with the needs of commuting students.

Trustee Paul G. Marks said the proposal for reconsideration of previous actions by the Trustees had "chilling consequences."

Trustee Jonathan E. Fielding, Commissioner of the Department of Public Health, said "jogging trails might be better for exercise than a skating rink." UMass-Boston Alumni president James O'Leary testified for building the complex.

After other commentaries, Trustee Chairman Healey posed the question: "What do we save on one side of the question; what do we jeopardize on the other?"

The vote was 17 to 5, sustaining previous actions by the Board and turning down the request of the Governor.

Prof. Arthur Martin, Physics, Chairman of the Dean's Search Committee for the College of Liberal Arts, is inviting faculty, staff and students to meet with three candidates for the Dean's post this week and next.

Between 3 and 4 p.m. on Thursday, February 10th; Friday, February 11th; and Thursday, February 15th, opportunities to interview candidates will be at the former Faculty Club, Third Floor, Building 020.

When additional candidates are to be interviewed on campus, an announcement will be made for time and place for similar interviews by the campus community.

Dr. James Howell, Senior Vice President of the First National Bank of Boston, will deliver the principal address at the First Annual Career Day on the College of Professional Studies at the University of Massachusetts at Boston on February 9, Dr. Howell, a noted economist, is scheduled to discuss the state of the economy and its effects on career opportunities.

Dean's Search

College of Professional Studies Career Day

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College of Professional Studies Career Day (Continued from page 2) The purpose of the Day is to acquaint and expose the students to various fields in the management area. In addition to Dr. Howell, several representatives from the business community will be conducting workshops dealing with finance, public management, accounting, marketing/advertising, personnel, labor relations, and small business administration. The Career Day is being sponsored by the Student Activities Committee of the University in conjunction with the Society for the Advancement of Management and the College of Profesfesional Studies.

The day will begin at 12:30 p.m. with a luncheon including the speaker, workshop leaders, Chancellor Golino, Vice Chancellor Tubbs, College Dean Freeland, College Director Tonn and Faculty for the College. An assembly will follow promptly at 2 p.m. in the Science Auditorium where students and participants will be addressed by Dr. Howell. Workshops will follow to allow participants to become exposed to at least two fields of management.

The workshop participants are: Dr. James Howell, Senior Vice President, First National Bank of Boston; John Cronin, Athlete's Foot; Thomas J. Mahoney, Senior Vice President, Kenyon & Eckhardt; James McBride, Manager of the Audit Dept., Touche Ross; Mary Newman, Regional Director, HEW; James Soderberg, Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner & Smith; Randall Smith, Personnel Director, Brigham's Harvey Friedman, Director, Labor Relations and Research Center; and Albert Zimmerman, SCORE program.

Prof. Peter Ott, Chairman of the German Dept., has been invited to lecture at the Goethe Institute Boston on Feb. 17. Prof. Ott will speak on "Tradition and Innovation: The Prose Theory of Arno Schmidt." Schmidt is a contemporary German author who, based on Lewis Carroll, Freud, and Joyce, has expanded the psychological and linguistic definitions of literature. The Goethe Institute is part of the cultural service of the Federal German Government, similar to the American Houses supported by the U.S. Government abroad.

Professor Concha Zardoya of the Spanish Department has recently published an article entitled "La 'otra' realidad de Pedro Salinas" in Pedro Salinas; El escritor y la critica, ed. by Andrew P. Debicki (Madrid: Taurus Ediciones, 1976, pp. 63-84), and the poema "Condena en Mississippi", en Poesia castellana de carcel (Antologia), ed. by Jose Maria Balcells (Barcelona: Editorial Dirosa, 1976, pp. 260-261).

Faculty are invited to bring classes to the library for instruction in library research methods. Instruction can be at the basic level of card catalog and periodical indexes, at the intermediate subject level of special subject indexes and sources, or in subject bibliography and the use of collections outside the university for master's degree students. Call the Reference Librarian, Janet Stewart, at extension 2206 or 2231 to arrange a time.

'House tours' can be booked for the staff of any university department who would enjoy seeing the library's facilities and resources, all of which are, of course, open to staff as well as students. These tours also can be scheduled with Miss Stewart at 2206 or 2231.

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Spanish Publications

Library Research Methods

Personnel Hiring for Fy '78

Until further notice, Chancellor Golino is requesting Deans, Directors, and Chairpersons that no offers be extended to any faculty, professional or classified staff personnel without his direct approval in writing. In those areas where recruiting has not begun, no recruiting effort may be initiated without approval from his office.

"The stringencies dictated by the Governor's budget proposal and the uncertainty as to the final budget for the Campus make a cautious approach essential," he said, "I hope you will give me your cooperation in this important matter."

Affirmative Action

The Affirmative Action Office is now located in room 3/028A, (next to conference room 3/011) 3rd floor, Administration Building. The telephone exts. remain the same: 2157 and 58.

Community and Junior College Officials Meet On Campus

A score of officials from community and junior colleges met on campus last week with academic personnel of UMass-Boston. The meeting was designed to give the officials from the other schools a closer view of the academic programs at UMass-Boston. It was also an effort to increase the applicant pool at upper division levels.

Chancellor Golino, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Robert Steamer and representatives of the Deans' offices made presentations about their colleges.

Prof. Frederick Gamst, Anthropology, and Prof. James Ryan, Spanish, conducted a campus tour for the visitors.

The schools represented at the conference were: Aquinas Junior College, Bristol Community College, Bunker Hill Community College, Chamberlayne Junior College, Fisher Junior College, Grahm Junior College, Labourne Junior College, Lasell Junior College, Massachusetts Bay Community College, Massasoit Community College, Newbury Junior College, Quincy Junior College, Roxbury Community College, Central New England College (Worcester Junior College), and Northern Essex Community College.

Community Education Seminars

The Community Education Seminars which begin February 22 are open to members of the campus community. There are no fees for the courses, nor will academic credits be given.

Registration for the evening classes may be made with the Community Services Office, Ext. 2303.

Classes, instructors, and opening dates include: Boston Politics, John E. Powers, Feb. 23; Dorchester History, Robert Severy, Feb. 23; Irish Culture, Kathleen F. Walsh, Feb. 28; Fundamentals Of Investing, Richard Galler, Feb. 23; Conversational French For The Traveler, Christian Taconet, Feb. 28; Urban Issues And Government, Senator Allan R. McKinnon, Feb. 22; The Labor Movement in America, John F. X. Davoren, Feb. 22; Parliamentary Procedures, Prof. Donald Babcock, Feb. 22; Black History And Culture, Prof. Albert Haynes, Feb. 22; Housing And Community Development, James Breugy, Feb. 23; Western Religions, Rev. James F. Rafferty, Feb. 28.