

VP Allan Smith to retire July 1

by jim angell

Allan H. Smith, vice president of academics here, will retire at the end of this year, it was announced yesterday at a meeting of faculty members and student leaders.

Smith, who has been vice president of academics for more than 25 years, originally planned to retire after the 1978-79 school year, but chose to retire early, according to President Glenn Terrell.

Smith has served as chairman of the Department of Anthropology. One of his specialties is the field of Native American studies. He has compiled more than 1800 pages of information in this area. According to Jack Clevenger, vice president of student affairs, Smith is one of the finest scholars ever employed by this institution. He is an active member of the Smithsonian Institute and speaks at least five languages fluently.

Clevenger said Smith is one of the hardest workers in French Administration. It is not uncommon for him to put in 70 or 80 hours a week.

The post of vice president of academics, which is involved with Terrell's reorganization program, is scheduled to merge eventually with the post of executive vice president, which is now occupied by Wallis Beasley.

But, according to Terrell, the early retirement of Smith should have little or no effect on the reorganization process.

"However, the time schedule for the process might be changed. I'm not posi-

tive at this time what effects it will have on the time schedule," he added.

Terrell said it has not been determined how a successor will be chosen after Smith's retirement takes effect on July 1, 1978.

However, according to ASWSU Vice President Greg King, Terrell announced at a private meeting with King and ASWSU President Mark Ufkes that a national search would be conducted to find a successor for Smith.

"We were a little disappointed to find that a national search would be conducted for a new vice president of academics when one was not carried out to find a new vice-president of Student Affairs," said King.

The merge between the offices of the academics and the executive vice presidency will be the third and final move in the reorganization process, according to the existing plan. The first such move was the merging of the vice-presidencies of business and finances offices. The most recent move, the merger of the post of vice president of student affairs with the dean of students, recently was approved by the Board of Regents.

No reason has been given for Smith's early retirement.

"I just thought it was time," Smith said.

No plans have been made for what he will do after his retirement, according to Smith.

Smith stated he had enjoyed his career at the university, adding, "If I wouldn't have enjoyed it, I wouldn't have been here this long."



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\$1 million project?

Pullman mass transit seeks funds

The Pullman City Council's discussion of a mass transit system in Pullman is now centered on where funds will be obtained, according to Larry Larse, city supervisor.

A feasibility study completed last year cites the need for public transportation in Pullman as a partial solution to traffic, pollution and energy problems.

Initial capital investments needed to acquire buses and other equipment for the transit system could cost \$1 million, Larse said.

"Eighty percent of this money could come from the federal Urban Mass Transit Administration," according to Ken Casavant, Pullman city councilman.

"The other 20 percent could be obtained through any of the local tax revenues," Casavant said.

Larse estimates operation costs for a year will be \$466,000.

"Thirty percent of the operation costs could be obtained at the fare box," Casavant said. The other 70 percent would come from outside sources. Casavant suggested the use of "a 3 percent increase in the utility tax, along with matching funds from the state motor vehicle excise tax."

Casavant added, "The university would be paying about 40 percent of the utility taxes."

"Because Pullman is below 50,000 in population, operation subsidies are unavailable at this time," Casavant said.

He added, "There are two bills, one before the U.S. Senate, the other in the House Public Works Committee, that would subsidize 50 percent of the system's operating deficit."

Support for the system was cited in the study, which referred to survey responses: "Over two-thirds of the responses felt that, if necessary, local public funds should be used to subsidize the bus system. Specifically, 69 percent were in favor of public funding and 27 percent indicated opposition. Students indicated a support for public funding with a 73 percent favorable response compared with 61 percent for the non-student resident."

Casavant said that even though the study was done two years ago he expects public support to be the same.

Mayor Karen Kiessling said, "By the end of November the council should have a better handle on the issue. Once a decision is made, the issue will be put to a vote by the people."

The system would run on all four Pullman hills every half hour, said Casavant. Shuttle bus service would be used at peak times to provide transportation to and from high density areas, he added.

The system would also run on a demand/response basis during non-peak hours to provide home pickup and dropoff for the handicapped, senior citizens and youth, Casavant said.

Bus fares have been estimated at 25 cents regular fare and 15 cents for non-peak hour shuttles.

According to the feasibility study, it would be economically possible to operate a Pullman-Moscow system. "However, regulatory constraints of the Interstate Commerce Commission make it presently unattainable," according to the study.

ASWSU hears bus, Crisis Line reports

by vicki ashby

Reports on the feasibility of a Pullman bus system and the status of the Crisis Line were the topics of last night's ASWSU Assembly meeting.

Also, requests for funds for two ASWSU activities were approved.

John Cook, Pullman City Councilperson, said that the possibility of a transit system here "has been in the minds of a lot of people for a long time."

Based on public surveys last year, a report said the majority of Pullmanites and students "showed a definite interest in a bus system," Cook said.

His presentation was the first of three issues to be explained to assemblypersons in order for them to support or oppose those issues in the upcoming Nov. 8 elections, according to Tom Pirie, student advisor to the mayor.

Cook said student support is needed for a bus system to work.

He stressed the need for ASWSU to "get involved" and he challenged the assembly to take some initiative.

The assembly made no decision at the meeting, planning to wait for future reports on costs and developments.

A report from Lori Narigi of the Crisis Line showed that the organization is in financial trouble.

She requested \$500 from ASWSU in addition to the \$242 they had granted earlier.

However, Craig Elia, budget coordinator, said he put a "freeze" on the \$242 to avoid the possibility of being subject to malpractice suits if wrong advice came from the Crisis Line.

The assembly chose to set up a committee to talk to Assistant Attorney General Lloyd W. Peterson and find out the legalities involved before taking action.

In other business, the assembly voted to allocate \$400 to the ASWSU Program Council for a programming conference in Gresham, Ore., in late October.

They also voted to disperse \$1600 from earmarked funds and \$250 from unearmarked funds for the publication of next year's faculty evaluations.

Greg King, ASWSU vice president, announced there will be police officers at football games "to endorse the no can, no glass" rule in the stadium.

However, King warned that the police have limitations to searching for legal containers.

He said, "They (the police) can ask patrons to open their packs, but they cannot dig through packs or open containers themselves."

"If they push it, tell them where to put it," was King's advice.

However, if a fan refuses to open his pack or container, he or she may be asked to leave the stadium area.

Fall enrollment figures reveal slight decrease

Enrollment here for fall 1977 is down by only 28 students as compared to last year's figures, according to final enrollment figures published yesterday by the Office of the Registrar.

Results of the official tenth-day enrollment figures show a total enrollment here of 16,665, as compared to 16,693 of last year.

Although the figures are down this year, the drop is not as heavy as some had expected.

According to C. James Quann, registrar, the fall enrollment here exceeded the contract enrollment figure of 16,640 established by the Office of Program Planning and Fiscal Management (OPP & FM).

"The fact that we exceeded the contract will mean that no serious financial repercussions will result from the drop," Quann stated.

The "tenth-day" figures, which are compiled to include late registrants here and at extensions of the university, show the major change to be in the areas of incoming freshmen and returning seniors. According to the figures, 2,794 freshmen registered this year, as opposed to 3,023 last year, a total drop of 274. Senior registrations, however, were up this year with 3,086, 275 students more than the 2,811 figure of last fall.

Graduate and professional students have also increased in enrollment, a total increase of 34. Sophomore registrations were down by 145, and juniors enrolled here are down by 57 as opposed 1976.

The figures also show that the student body is composed of 57.3 percent male students (57.9 percent in 1976) and 42.7 percent female students (42.1 percent in 1976).

GOP spokesperson attacks Foley views

Rep. Tom Foley (D-Wash.) was criticized for his views on legal aid to homosexuals Tuesday by Elinor Anderson, 5th District Republican Club secretary; Spokane.

Anderson said Foley voted against an amendment on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives earlier this year which prohibited the use of federal funds for legal assistance in cases arising out of disputes regarding homosexuality or gay rights.

She said the amendment passed 230-133.

The U.S. Supreme Court let stand rulings by state courts in this state last Monday that homosexuals are "immoral" and may be fired from their jobs because of their sexual preference.