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Dean Selection Committee Seeks Faculty And Students' Views

Dr. Roger Sweeting, Behrend's Athletic Director and chairman of the Search Committee for the Dean of Behrend College, recently announced that this ten member group will be available to meet with faculty and students today, April 3, from approximately 10:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The Committee members will be in the Reed Seminar room during that time period.

The Search Committee has five representatives from both Behrend and University Park. The group plans to use opinions from the faculty, staff and students to piece together the main qualities a dean for Behrend College should possess. Chairman Sweeting urges that, "concerned students should participate in this representative process."

Earlier this year both Director Irvin Kockel and Academic Dean Thomas Fox announced their resignations and acceptance of new positions at Main Campus. Subsequently University Park officials declared that the offices of Behrend College's director and academic dean would be fused into a single dean position. The new dean selection committee was formed to identify candidates for this office.

At this early stage, the Com-

mittee's main goals are to solicit opinions from members of the Behrend community, advertise the new position in the proper journals, and then to review resumes.

After inspecting resumes, the Committee-members will decide by May 15, on three to five names which they will send to University Park for consideration. All resumes must be postmarked by April 28.

Upon receiving the resumes which the Committee submits, University Park Provost Edward Eddy and other main campus officials will contact each nominee and then send their preferred candidate to Behrend to be interviewed by the Selection Committee members. This stage of the process is expected to take place in June or early July. If the candidate accepts the position, his name will be submitted to Penn State's Board of Trustees for approval at their July meeting.

If for some reason a suitable candidate cannot be found to fill the position by the Fall '80 term, Director Kockel has agreed to stay until the new dean has been designated.

Besides Dr. Sweeting, the other four Behrend members of this committee are - Dr. Mary

Chisholm, Assistant Professor of Chemistry; Dr. A. Daniel Frankforter, Associate Professor of History; Dr. Charles Kolb,

Assistant Professor of Anthropology; and Michael McCloskey, student representative and resident assistant for

COBSGA Holds Unnoticed Faculty Senate Election

On Wednesday, March 26, the Committee of Branch Campus Student Government Associations (COBSGA) held an election for student representatives from the branch campuses to the Faculty Senate. Of the ten students on the roster, none were from Behrend. The results of the election will not be available for two weeks.

The candidates in the election were nominated by their campus' COBSGA representative. To be eligible they had to be a branch campus student who would be able to serve for one year and attend all meetings.

The three students who receive the highest number of votes will sit as members of the Faculty Senate, the sole legislative body which represents the university faculty as a whole. The Faculty Senate also serves as a consultive and advisory body to President Oswald.

This election was unfortunate for three reasons: there were no candidates from Behrend College, there was no prior notice of the election, and there was no information available to the voters concerning the candidates.

It is not known why there were no candidates from our branch campus.

Rick Stetzler, SGA member in charge of running the election at the Behrend Campus said that the reason no one knew about the election was that the SGA had only a week's notice themselves that they were to hold the election.

It is not known why COBSGA did not provide additional information such as a resume on each candidate. Apparently only one student on the roster sent out a resume which was available at the voting site.

Lawrence Hall.

The five committee members from University Park are Dr. Richard Chait, Assistant Provost; Dr. Robert Dunham, Vice-President for Undergraduate studies; Dr. George McMurry, Professor of Electrical Engineering; Dr. Robert Pashek, Associate Dean, College of Business; and Dr. Christine Pooties, Associate Professor of Physical Education.

Today's meetings will be the only opportunity for the Behrend community to speak with all the members of the committee.

Committee Schedule

10:30 - After arrival and tour of the campus, the Committee members will assemble in the Reed Seminar Room.

12:00 - Designated student representatives will lunch with the Committee in the Seminar Room. Faculty and staff may join.

1:00 - Members will again be accessible to students and faculty for approximately an hour.

2:00 - 3:00 p.m. - In a closed door session the Committee will analyze their findings and at the conclusion of this meeting U.P. members will return to Main Campus.

Teddy Jr. Campaigns In Erie

by Joe Englert

The smile, the face and the mannerisms were familiar. When he began to give his audience his views on political issues, there could be no mistake. The speaker was definitely a Kennedy.

Edward Kennedy Jr., appeared quite adept when he elaborated on the issues his father hopes to be elected on. Kennedy spoke at a press conference at the Erie Holiday Inn, Sunday, March 30 for college and high school newspapers in the area.

Teddy, Jr., is on the road trying to capture the youthful vote for his father. None of the political candidates, save John Anderson, has gotten any enthusiastic support from America's 18-25 year olds. This age group could win Senator Kennedy the state of Pennsylvania in the upcoming primary as well as the country if he is successful in gaining the support of this large bloc. Here are some of the views and comments Teddy Jr., presented at the conference.

On the upcoming Pennsylvania Primary:

Kennedy thinks his dad will do well in the state. He gave the standard party line when he said, "My father, for the past 17 years, has shown that he is for the working man, the worker."

Pennsylvania has a high percentage of unionized workers, elderly and young people. Groups that the Kennedy family has traditionally had the support of in the past.

On the possibility of a Debate between Senator Kennedy and President Carter:

Teddy Kennedy Jr. says that the President is avoiding a political debate by hiding in the White House and using the hostage crisis as a crutch. When the point was brought up that maybe that is what an incumbent should do, stay in office and serve

his constituents, Kennedy gave a cure-all answer. "Congress is in a transitional stage. Many members are seeking re-election. My father is there at the Senate when important bills are being voted on. He has one of the top 10 or 15 voting records since he was elected into the Senate."

On Nuclear Energy:

Kennedy told the press that his father favors finding an alternative to oil, but that does not necessarily mean nuclear power. "My father doesn't want to rush in on using any specific energy source." This ambivalent stand could prove disappointing to those on both sides of the nuclear issue.

Gun Control:

This is one of the few issues that the young Kennedy made a strong point and clarified his father's position. "Long guns, rifles and all sporting guns are meant for recreation and sport. It's the 'Saturday Night Specials' that have to be controlled. These guns are made for one purpose and one purpose only, to kill other human beings." Kennedy said that it scared him that anybody could purchase one of these guns for 20 dollars and could even order a "Saturday Night Special" from the back of some magazines.

On the inevitable subject of Chappaquiddick:

"One should never accuse my father of having moral flaws," Kennedy remarked. The young Kennedy said that his father has gone through as much pain as anyone. "My father has proved himself innocent and answered the questions about Chappaquiddick hundreds of times, over and the proof is there for everyone to see."

On Mandatory Conscription:

"My father is in favor of a military draft in a necessary situation," Kennedy explained that the President's figures of

saving 13 days on preparing for war if people are pre-registered are misleading. Kennedy went on to say that it would take nearly two years to make a man from the street a soldier on the battlefield. "The President says that the Russian presence in Afghanistan is the biggest threat to peace since World War II. What about the Korean War? What about the Cuban Missile crisis or the Berlin Wall?"

On a National Health Insurance Bill:

Kennedy said that his dad would initiate proposals to put lids on the prices of medical fees and services. Under the Kennedy plan, a doctor would make more money if his patients stayed healthy, rather than if they were chronically ill.

On The Hostage Situation:

"My father believes that all should support the president in a time of crisis." But Kennedy also added that not enough has been done to free the hostages. In his opinion, the whole affair could have been avoided. "The President overlooked all the warnings that Iran gave us about sheltering the Shah. Carter said that the Shah was being taken into the country on the premise that the Shah could only receive proper medical care in this country. Now, it has been discovered that the Shah could have received proper medical attention in 25 or 26 other countries."

Kennedy explained that the country is disenchanted with the office of the presidency. The people want to see new leadership in the White House.

On the prospect of his father dropping out:

"We could go into the Democratic convention 100 delegates behind and still capture the nomination. We'll be there to the end."



Ted Kennedy campaigns for his father.

