

IUSB NEWSLETTER

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1. Chancellor for Indiana University Northwest (Gary): A Search and Screening Committee is now seeking qualified candidates for consideration for the chancellorship of Indiana University Northwest in Gary.

IUN, like IUSB, is a degree-granting, semi-autonomous campus of Indiana University. Its chancellor reports to John W. Ryan, Vice-President and Chancellor for Regional Campuses.

The IUN chancellorship is an extraordinarily important position, one that demands an individual with the intellectual and administrative capabilities to carry forward the development of the campus. The regional campuses of Indiana University are presently developing toward a system similar to that of the University of California, and some other multi-campus state university systems, where each campus is autonomous in respect to general operations while operating within the framework of policies established by a common Board of Trustees.

The new IUN Chancellor will be a person who can provide the leadership required for a rapidly growing and expanding institution which will grow from its present enrollment of about 4,400 to more than 7,500 within the next five to ten years. Because Indiana University Northwest is an urban campus, it will be intimately involved in many problems faced by a heterogeneous population. The Chancellor must effectively represent the University to the varied and sometimes conflicting interests in the region. The IUN faculty will expect their Chancellor to continue to emphasize academic excellence. All of these responsibilities are, of course, in addition to the usual administrative functions: defining and administering academic policies, coordination with other elements of the university, budgetary planning, etc.

Nominations (with whatever resumes are possible) should be sent to any member of the Search and Screening Committee. That committee includes the following members of the IUN faculty:

Gary P. Moran, Associate Professor of Psychology (Chairman).
Donna Lou Brown, Assistant Professor of Nursing.
Lewis M. Ciminillo, Assistant Professor of Education.
Joseph M. Kamen, Professor of Marketing.
William M. Neil, Associate Professor of History.
F. C. Richardson, Assistant Professor of Botany.
Leslie P. Singer, Professor of Economics.

Also on the committee are two adjunct members representing the Regional Campus Administration of Indiana University. They are:

Chancellor Lester M. Wolfson, IUSB.
Rufus Reiberg, Associate Dean of the Regional Campus Administration,
Bloomington.

2. State of the University: In his address on Monday to the Indiana University faculty, delivered in Bloomington and telecast to all I.U. campuses, President Joseph L. Sutton established three priorities for the current academic year: (1) revision of curricula; (2) improvement in the quality of teaching; (3) constructive student participation in university processes.

Other media have given extensive coverage to the presidential comments on confrontation and coercion. Of at least equivalent interest were his calls for curricular change and better ways of evaluating the quality of teaching.

"...Indiana University must reckon fully with the 21st Century," said Dr. Sutton. "This cannot be done without a major re-evaluation of our teaching mission and the abandonment of some of our preconceived notions."

He expressed the hope that each of the campuses, as they develop a hard core of well-recognized and long-accepted disciplines, also will develop curricula which are uniquely suited to student needs of their particular locales and which reflect academic strengths of their faculties.

As for teachers, President Sutton said that while I.U. is marked by above-average quality of teaching, "we have by no means reached the limits for improvement. We must train ourselves not only to determine what is good teaching, but to be just as firm in passing judgment on poor teaching as we have been in passing judgment on poor research."

Dr. Sutton observed that students across the country are seeking participation in a broader spectrum of university affairs, adding, "There is no doubt in my mind that such participation can be wholesome and constructive."

"The problem," he continued, "is to determine the boundaries of such participation. For example, I cannot accept nor would I even think of recommending to the Board of Trustees that the students be given veto power over the budget of the University. On the other hand, knowledgeable students should be consulted on questions of the setting of academic priorities within departments and schools.... They are the ones who are seeking an education for their own needs, and while I do not believe that a transient population such as the students make up can have all the answers, I believe that student participation in curriculum development can be very fruitful."

He praised the quality of present-day students: "For the most part they seem to confront in a very honest and straightforward manner many of the socio-economic problems which many of their elders either ignored or misunderstood.... Their voices must be heard...."

3. AFT: A chapter of the American Federation of Teachers has been formed at IUSB. At an organizational meeting last month, David E. Rotigel, education, was elected president; Joseph B. Parker, political science, vice-president; Joseph E. Morrow, psychology, treasurer; Tom R. Vander Ven, English, secretary; and J. Wesley Robbins, philosophy, representative-at-large.

For information, contact any of the officers.

4. Bring Your Guitar: Alice's Part II Coffee House is now open from 8:30 p.m. Saturdays to 12:30 a.m. at 917 S. 20th St. Alice's offers folksinging and guitar playing as well as coffee, and patrons are encouraged to bring and play instruments.

Admission is 25 cents for IUSB students, 35 cents for non-students. Steve Denner, faculty advisor, says faculty members are welcome. Park in the university lot.

5. See the Champs: Last Saturday, the first of four I.U. football games was televised live at IUSB via the closed-circuit system linking state university campuses. Three more games will be televised here:

Minnesota...October 11
Illinois....October 18
Purdue.....November 22

Students, faculty and staff members are eligible to watch the games, for a \$1-per-game fee. NCAA regulations bar the telecasts to the general public.

6. Remember the deadline: A reminder that items for this newsletter should be submitted to Walt Collins, Assistant to the Chancellor for University Relations, by Friday, for inclusion in the letter mailed the following Wednesday.
7. New Division and Congratulations. A fourth academic division (Arts and Sciences, Business, and Education being the others) has been created at IUSB -- the Division of Music. Robert W. Demaree, Jr., formerly director of music, is now chairman of the new division. Bob, and Bob Hamilton as well, have also been advanced in rank from Lecturer to Assistant Professors of Music.