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## OU board considers conference center

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The OU Board of Trustees announced at its Aug. 16 meeting that it will seek proposals for the development of a conference center complex on the east campus.

The decision comes on the heels of a study conducted by Pannell, Kerr, Forster, an independent consulting firm that evaluates the market demand for university conference centers across the country.

The board's decision allows Frank Cardimen, the interim vice president of university extension and public service, to pursue requests for proposals for the development of such a complex.

According to Cardimen, Pannell, Kerr, Forster's study proved that there is a market demand for such a facility in southeastern Michigan and recommended that OU pursue development proposals.

"There is an extensive demand for a center of this type in southeastern Michigan and we think that OU could support it because of the location, demographics, programs, faculty, students and corporate setting," Cardimen said.

Trustee Stephan Sharf voiced a concern about other conference centers that lose money.

Brian Bash, a senior manager at Pannell, Kerr, Forster, said that university conference centers that are not nonprofit from the start and are properly planned are profitable ventures.

"The survey was conducted to determine whether or not groups would want to build a conference center for OU. We will be seeking

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## Welcome wagons



University parking lots and picnic areas overflowed with cars during the first day of class, Tuesday as students finalized registration, bought books and got set for the new year.

## Virus infects library computers

By CLAUDINE DeLAZZER  
Special Writer

A virus is quickly infecting OU's campus. However, only your computer can catch it.

Jeff Marraccini, the computing resource administrator for OU, said he believes the current virus infecting OU is the Josh E Virus.

It was activated in India, but has since showed up in a variety of places, including Saudi Arabia and California.

The virus affects mostly IBM and IBM-compatible computers, according to Marraccini.

"It looks like someone brought in

software from the outside and transferred the virus onto the engineering computers. The virus was then transferred onto disks students brought in," said Marraccini.

Computer viruses are potentially damaging pieces of code which attach themselves to different programs. They reportedly originated from a disgruntled Apple Computer employee who fed a virus into Apple's main computer. The infected data quickly spread via modems and infected software of other companies.

Steve Haffner of Micro Age Computers suggests three simple steps to take when safeguarding any

computer.

"Step one," said Heffner, "is to purchase an anti-virus program. Step two would be to avoid sharing diskettes, and to avoid software piracy would be step three."

In response to the growing popularity of computer viruses, many universities have begun to take precautionary measures.

"We just purchased Virus Scan, through McAfee Association," said Marraccini. "It can be run through any computer on campus and copies are available at Dodge Hall and the Kresge Center."

Nevertheless, anyone planning to

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## New secondary ed program to debut in winter

By STEVE TSCHIRHART  
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The OU Board of Trustees approved a new five-year secondary education program at a special meeting Aug. 30 after initial hesitation regarding the cost of the additional year of study.

"The major concern was having to finance the fifth year of education," trustee Phyllis Googasian said.

She said the cost of the fifth year both financially and chronologically would be one of the disadvantages of the program but was swayed when she found out scholarship and grant money available to students in four-year programs would also be made available to students in the five-year program.

She also cited the fact that students in the program will acquire 16 post-bachelor credit hours at undergraduate costs.

Trustee Ken Morris also cited the "burden of cost and time" but said, "I felt that there was an indication that every effort would be made to alleviate the pressures."

All trustees voted for the program with the exception of Larry Chuvovich's abstention because of conflict of interest.

"I have a position that requires additional involvement in the program" as president of the Michigan Education Association.

The MEA, he said, is opposed to any program that takes a "more is better" approach, referring to the fifth-year internship designed to give students greater experience in an actual teaching setting.

Dr. Steven Gilbert, the coordinator of the program said, "There aren't

any assurances in life," but still feels the internship offers the student an opportunity to become known within the school district and work with experienced and capable teachers.

"We want to insure that everyone has the background that will help them be successful in their field."

Gilbert added that OU is in an excellent location in terms of its proximity to a number of high-level teachers and schools.

Unlike regular student teaching programs, OU interns will have the benefit of careful consideration before being placed in the work environment. "We're going to try to get them the best teachers [to work with] we can."

Gerry Pine, the dean of the school of human and educational services, said OU consulted with local school districts including Bloomfield Hills, Pontiac, Walled Lake, Oak Park, Southfield and Birmingham.

He disagreed with Chuvovich on the "quantity over quality" perspective.

"Our whole focus is on quality," he said.

He cited a recently completed 10-year follow-up study that found more than 90% of five year program graduates got jobs in their first year after program completion.

According to Pine, courses for the program will begin in January with Secondary Education 200, Foundations of Education 345 and Reading 338, with a section in the spring offered as well. For students in the program to be considered for intern positions in Fall '91, they must start

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## Board of trustees hires new dean for school of business administration

By MARIE ALLEN  
Staff Writer

George E. Stevens, former professor of management and interim dean of the college of Business administration at the University of Central Florida, was appointed as the new dean of the School of Business Administration at OU on July 11.

On January 1, 1991, Stevens will

replace Ronald M. Horowitz, who has held the position since September of 1979. Horowitz said, "I wanted to get back into the classroom and spend more time on my health care finance research."

Provost Keith Kleckner said, "Dr. Stevens was the strongest candidate that we uncovered in our national search to fill the position. In particular, he has considerable experience

in relating business school programs to the external business community."

During his first year as the new dean, Stevens, 48, plans to concentrate mainly on learning the internal aspects of the business school as well as forming new directions for the school's future.

Stevens said, "Without the students we really don't have a job. They are the most important reasons

for being here. Teaching excellence is very, very important to me."

He said he enjoyed his interim position at UCF, but wanted to find a permanent position at another accredited university such as OU. Stevens commented on the importance of OU's outstanding reputation and faculty as a determining factor in his quest for this type of position.

Lizabeth Barclay, chair of the department of Management and Marketing, led the search committee. She said OU hired MacNaughton Associates, an executive search firm, to assist the committee because there are approximately 60 business schools also searching for new deans.

Barclay noted that by using MacNaughton's services for the entire searching process took six

months and the firm's fees is based on a percentage of the new dean's salary, which is submitted to and approved by the Board of Trustees.

According to Barclay, using an executive search firm enabled the committee to concentrate on the decision-making process. She was instrumental in establishing procedures, evaluating the search firm and

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## Champagne receives raise by unanimous vote

By MARILYN DOLL  
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OU President Joseph Champagne was granted a \$9484 raise by the Board of Trustees July 1, according to Budget Director Patrick Nicosia. The 8.59% increase over last year's salary raises his annual pay to \$120,000.

The president's salary is reviewed

annually by the university's eight-member Board of Trustees, according to Trustee David Hartmann.

The decision was unanimous, though only a majority decision is necessary.

Such factors as cost-of-living, merit and the salaries of other state university presidents are taken into consideration, said Handleman.

Champagne's salary ranked ninth in a 1989-90 survey of the fifteen

state university president's salaries with The University of Michigan's president ranking first at \$162,839 and Lake Superior State's president making the least at \$73,800.

The Personnel Committee recommends what they feel is appropriate for the president to the board in a closed session.

The Personnel and Finance Committee consists of four trustees, with the other four trustees making up

the University Affairs committee.

According to Robert McGarry, vice-president of finance, Champagne is responsible for an approximately \$90 million budget.

He meets with the Board two or three times a month on matters of finance, personnel and academic affairs according to Trustee Ken Morris.

Googasian said she took various

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## Newspaper, university settle lawsuit out of court

By DIANE DEMPSEY  
Special Writer

Oakland University's student newspaper won its right for reporters to view crime reports in a July 17 out-of-court settlement with the campus police department.

John De Carlo, vice president of governmental affairs and secretary to the board of trustees and general counsel, offered the settlement to *The Oakland Post* one day before the scheduled hearing before Oakland County Circuit Court Judge David Breck.

"I am pleased with the resolution," De Carlo said. "I crafted it and I'm pleased with the results. I think it will resolve the problem."

The settlement written by De Carlo, reclassified the incident reports maintained by the police department as police records. They

were previously classified as educational records subject to the Educational Family Rights and Privacy Act which restricts the release of information maintained in student records.

"What was happening was that

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## Little lost?



Members of Oakland's Greek fraternities and sororities tested their constitution at the Greek Olympics Saturday. Photostory page 10.