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SEARCH COMMITTEE APPOINTED FOR SELECTION OF NEW PRESIDENT

The University Board of Trustees, at its Nov. 14 meeting, appointed an 18-member unified presidential search committee for selection of a successor to President Thomas A. Fulham, who is stepping down from the university presidency on July 18, 1980.

Chairman Vincent A. Fulmer, in announcing the decision, said the search committee will consist of a chairperson, two students, six faculty, six trustees and three alumni leaders. Associate Dean Joseph H. Strain of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, will chair the committee.

Fulmer said the committee will have three basic responsibilities:

1. - examine the structure of the executive office;  
2. - reflect on the qualifications of the candidates to be chosen; and 3. - put forth a minimum of three and a maximum of five candidates for the Board of Trustees to consider for the presidency.

"It is hoped that the committee will be able to start its meetings by early January," Fulmer said. "We are aiming to have the committee complete its nominating process by May 1 so that the Board can make the selection at its June meeting."

Under the structure of the committee, the six faculty will comprise two from each of Suffolk's three schools (CLAS, Law School and School of Management). Dean of Students D. Bradley Sullivan was assigned to convene a six-member student committee (made up of the leaders of SGA, EDSA, MBA Association, Student Bar Association, the Council of Presidents and Chairman of Student Bar Association for evening students) which selected SGA President William Sutherland and Evening SBA Chairman Todd O'Connor as the two student representatives.

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The six trustee members will include the five members of the nominating committee ex officio (Trustees Herbert C. Hambelton, Jeanne M. Hession, John P. Chase, Hon. Walter H. McLaughlin and Hon. C. Edward Rowe) and a sixth trustee to serve on a rotational basis. The nominating committee will bring the formal recommendation to the board.

Fulmer said the Board of Trustees will ask the nominating committee to develop a set of criteria for the committee to use as guideposts in considering a candidate.

Under the bylaws of the university the Board of Trustees will make the final decision on Fulham's successor. The board will make its final selection from among the candidates put forth by the presidential search committee, exercising its prerogative of asking the committee to consider additional candidates if necessary.

# BOARD OKAYS COMPUTER INTEGRATION

In other action taken at its Nov. 14 meeting, the Board of Trustees voted to acquire a computer to integrate all of its administrative and academic systems.

The company selected was Prime Computer, Inc., a rapidly growing firm in Wellesley Hills, whose net sales in the past year have increased by some 87 per cent. It has serviced such institutions as the Sloan School at M.I.T., R.P.I. and Georgia Tech.

Paul Ladd, director of management information services, projects that over a six-year period installation of the new Prime Computer 750 will bring about a net reduction in total costs of about $400,000.

"We will eliminate duplications of systems and effort," Ladd said. "We will also be upgrading all the systems by acquiring software. Unlike many universities who convert, Suffolk will be getting both hardware and software at the same time, which is to our advantage the way software costs have been escalating."

Ladd feels the Prime Computer 750 will prove an excellent academic resource. "It has very large address space, a variety of programming languages and a stable interactive operating system. It will take care of approximately 85 per cent of our administrative needs and eliminate about $370,000 in software development costs."

Ladd expects computer installation by May and that the system will be available for academic and administrative use with the 1980-81 academic year.

# VARSITY HOCKEY WILL BEGIN NEXT WINTER

The Board of Trustees has given approval to a varsity hockey program beginning with the 1980-81 season.

Athletic Director Jim Nelson said the team will compete on the NCAA Division III level. Suffolk currently conducts a club hockey program.

Under the new format, the schedule will be upgraded so that Suffolk varsity will play only other varsity teams. In recent years, under the club format, opponents included other college clubs and two-year colleges.

"There has been an increased interest in hockey on campus by the student body and we feel this move is a positive one for university athletics," Nelson said.

So, next year's hockey team will no longer be nicknamed the "Goats." The sport now has legitimacy on campus and like other varsity teams, the Suffolk sextet will be the "Rams."
NELSON G. BURKE, TRUSTEE
EMERITUS, IS DEAD AT 75

Trustee Emeritus Nelson G. Burke, one of the university's most devoted friends and supporters, died Nov. 17 in East Greenwich, R.I. after being stricken at his home.

Burke, 75, was a Suffolk trustee for 15 years before retiring from the board in 1977. He was the retired owner and president of Pennsylvania Petroleum Products Co. and former president of the Clover Club of Boston.

A 1935 graduate of Suffolk University Law School, Burke was a significant contributor to the university over the years and established a scholarship fund in the colleges and law school for deserving students from Rhode Island.

"We have lost a distinguished alumnus, a devoted trustee and a very good friend," President Fulham said of Mr. Burke's passing.

Among the committees Burke served on as a trustee were the building, investments and nominating committees.

A funeral mass was held Tuesday, Nov. 20 at St. Gregory's Church, Warwick, R.I.
TWO NEW DEFERRED ANNUITY PROGRAMS - Starting in January, the University will offer two additional tax deferred annuity programs - the TIAA-CREF Supplemental Retirement Annuity (SRA) and the Nationwide Spectrum Annuity, offered through Mass.Financial Services. The programs are designed for persons who wish to set aside tax deferred retirement funds over and above amounts accumulated under the standard retirement plan.

Staffers are advised that the SRA plan provides more flexibility than the current excess option. The major differences are that the SRA contract can be surrendered for its cash value at any time; includes a "fixed period" pay out option; and has a higher expense charge to cover the cost of additional features. In other aspects the two plans have similar options.

The Nationwide Spectrum Annuity is unique in that it provides a wide variety of investment options - eight variable accounts and a fixed account with some withdrawal provisions.

These programs are open to all University employees and further information may be obtained from the Personnel Office.

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CHANGES IN BENEFITS - The University has announced a number of changes in benefits made recently to insure equitable benefit coverage for employees over 65. Those affected have been notified in detail by letter and for additional information, should contact the Personnel Office.

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE - President Fulham has announced the following schedule for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Christmas - Closed December 24, December 25, December 26.

New Year's - Closed December 31, January 1.

The libraries may remain open on these days.

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NEW EMPLOYEES - Lori Stern of Boston, counselor, Financial Aid; Richard Shaughnessy of Framingham, custodian, Physical Plant; Jeanne Chmura of Roslindale, secretary, History/Philosophy; Brenda McDonald of Lynn, secretary, Development; Justino Reyes of Boston, custodian, Physical Plant; Steven Mercurio of Boston, custodian, Physical Plant; Marilyn Walcott of Roxbury, secretary, School of Management; Barbara Lane of Belmont, secretary, Law School; Susan Gould of Everett, secretary, College Placement; Bonita DiRaffaele of Haverhill, secretary, Education; Joyce Checkasky of Hingham, secretary, Biology; Linda Porzio of Medford, payroll assistant, Payroll; Linda Cummings of Allston, secretary, Biology; Diane Keogh of Boston, secretary, English, John Currier of Saugus, University Police.

Harold Grover, previously patrolman, University Police, is the new night supervisor for Security and Maintenance.

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JOB OPENINGS

Director, Management Education Center, School of Management - This position, reporting to the dean of the School of Management, is responsible for the development, implementation, administration and evaluation of all programs offered by the Management Education Center. MEC offers specialized non-degree courses for managers in business, government, and non-profit organizations, mostly two or three day seminars. Resume and salary requirements should be submitted to the Personnel Office by Dec. 14.

Secretarial and clerical opportunities - Dean's Office, Law School, secretary; School of Management, secretary (2); Law Registrar's Office, clerical assistant; Law School Moot Court Office, staff secretary; Accounting Office, senior accounting clerk.

Physical Plant - assistant night supervisor; also night custodian.

All positions are full-time Monday to Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Suffolk University selects staff without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital or parental status. Equal Employment Opportunity, Title IX Employer.

STAFFERS ELIGIBLE FOR $50 BONUS - Members of the support, custodial and police staffs of the University are eligible for a $50 bonus through a new employee referral bonus system that went into effect on Dec. 1. Under the plan any employee in those categories who refers to the university a person for full-time employment will be eligible for the bonus payment of $50 after the referred employee completes the 90-day probationary period. Application forms or employee referral slips may be obtained in the Personnel Office. Call extension 124 or 125 for additional information.
Varsity hockey is not a totally new concept at Suffolk. The sport flourished for a brief period in the early fifties, under one-time Boston Olympics goalie Tom Moon, long before many colleges got involved with hockey. . . MAL BARACH of Journalism has been notified Twenty five years ago, there were that The Newspaper Fund of Princeton, N.J. has approved his proposal for another Urban Journalism Workshop at Suffolk next summer. Barach, S.U. and the Boston Globe have also teamed up for a high school newspaper advisors workshop to be held weekly at the Globe starting Jan. 28. . . Dr. KEN GARNI of the Counseling Center was re-elected chairman of the National Board of Accreditation of University and College Counseling Centers at the group’s national conference in Ames, Iowa. At that conference Suffolk was chosen as a member of a consortium of New England colleges to host the 1980 national conference at Dunfey’s in Hyannis, Oct. 5-9. . .

If you want to catch a big chunk of Suffolk history, don’t miss the upcoming Heritage Project pamphlet on Gleason L. Archer. Written by History’s Dr. DAVE ROBBINS, it is a fascinating account of the indefatigable founder’s life with the law school and university... Dr. PHIL MULVEY of Biology was the featured speaker at a Hazardous Waste Management seminar sponsored by the New England Research, Inc. last month... Dr. Stephen Jay Gould of Harvard’s Museum of Comparative Zoology, capped off the Biology Department’s Fall seminars with talk on sociobiology Dec. 3... The Physics Department now has a student chapter of the American Physical Society and has 15 members aiming to develop science projects such as undergraduate research...
Congratulations to Dr. DICK BRAY of Journalism who is the 1979 honor roll award winner of the National Council of College Publications Advisers. Bray was tapped for his work as adviser to Suffolk's Evening Voice... The Chemistry Department and the student affiliate chapter of the American Chemical Society hosted a meeting of student affiliates from Eastern Mass. Dr. DORIS LEWIS was adviser. . . . DUANE ANDERSON of Student Activities reviews the book, Leadership is Everybody's Business, in the November issue of Programming, the publication of the National Entertainment and Campus Activities Association. He also presented two sessions at the New England Region ACU-I/NECAA Conference in Hyannis Nov. 4-7. The sessions were "Don't Be Bored - Be Creative" and "Your Personal/Professional Life". . .

Dr. JOHN C. CAVANAGH of History has had three essays published recently. His essay on Major Gen. Benjamin Lincoln, a Mass. officer in the Revolutionary War, was published by the Duke University Press in a book entitled The Revolutionary War in the South: Power, Conflict and Leadership. Two other essays were published in the Encyclopedia of Southern History, just released by the Louisiana State University Press. . . .

Law Prof. BERNARD ORTWEIN is serving as a panelist on legal liabilities of housing authority administrators and board members. The discussion will be part of a program sponsored by the Mass. chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment officials at Framingham's Sheraton Tara Dec. 5. . . ROBERTA GIANFORTONI of Sociology is co-author of Community Education: An Action Handbook, published by the Department of Education as part of its resources for schools dissemination project. . . .

Dr. JOE McCARTHY of Education is included in the 1979-80 edition of Who's Who in the East. . . . The English Department reports that ROBERT JOHNSON has a poem, "Lover's Words" in the Fall issue of the magazine Writing and BETTE MANDL has been named to the editorial board of the Journal of Education. . . . Noteworthy, indeed, is the election of DEAN RICHARD MCDOWELL of the School of Management to the executive council of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration. He was elected to a two-year term at the association's annual business meeting in Los Angeles. McDowell also will be one of 50 delegates to represent Massachusetts at a White House conference on Small Business Jan. 13-17. . . .

Pathic Graham, professor at Harvard and former dean of the Radcliffe Institute, has been appointed chairperson of the School of Management's Public Management Advisory Council. Among new council members is former Law Registrar DORIS R. POTTO, now chairman of the Mass. Department of Public Utilities. . . .

Guess who's back in town? Alumni JOE HAYES and pal JACK COTTER will be here, Thursday Dec. 20 with incumbent students DAN DOHERTY and TOM KEAVENNEY to sponsor this year's Pie Auction for Globe Santa. Over the past four years, they've netted more than $6000 for this worthy cause. So step right up, and it will be Pow! - or rather - Pie, right in the kisser! . . . College Admissions Director BILL COUGHLIN was guest speaker for a newcomers breakfast at the annual meeting of the New England Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers in Bedford, N.H. . . .

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College Librarian TED HAMANN reports that the first edition of the Fenway Library Consortium Union List of Serials is now available. The list includes the periodical and serial holdings of the 11-member libraries with more than 6500 titles in all, including more than 2000 titles unique to the Greater Boston area. The memory of JUDGE FRANK J. DONAHUE will be honored when an oil painting of the late trustee will be hung in the Donahue Building. It is the work of artist Jacob Binder whose presidential paintings are now on display in the Munce Conference Room. A chilly reminder from Plant Supt. IVAN BANKS. Utility costs are now above $26,000 a month and during the winter months, Banks expects them to hit $30,000 per. So, he urges, conserve. That means turning off lights when leaving rooms and keeping the thermostats at 65 degrees. Banks also warns that if you use electric floor heaters, the temperature should still be maintained at 65 degrees.

Chief Justice Edward F. Hennessey will be the featured speaker at the Law Alumni dinner Dec. 6 at the Park Plaza. Congressman JOE MOAKLEY, J.D. '56, will be toastmaster. For those of us who knew the late CLEE SNIPE, the plan by Education's SHEILA MAHONEY for a memorial tribute of Clee's poems in the Suffolk Library rates enthusiastic support. Snipe passed away shortly after earning his degree this Fall, something he worked many years for. Dr. Mahoney said it well when she remembered Clee as a "worthy student who graced our classes with optimism, kindness and dedication."

A note from the School of Management. Their faculty Christmas party will be held Dec. 9 from 8 to midnight at the King Room of the Parker House. Dr. FRED WILKINS' course on "The England of Shakespeare's Kings" presented in England this summer won the innovative programming award by the North American Association of Summer Sessions.

Retired Athletic Director CHARLIE STRAIN drops a card from Santa Barbara, Calif., where he's visiting his daughter, Nancy. He's pondering a move to that area... DEAN JOE DEAN was a member of the program committee for the annual meeting of the Association for Continuing Higher Education at Toronto. He's been reelected to the post for next year... Law Prof. LOUISE WEINBERG will be heading for Stockholm, Sweden in the next couple of days where her husband, STEVE, Harvard physics professor, will pick up his Nobel Prize... Congratulations to NEIL BUCKLEY of Accounting who has been promoted to counselor in the Financial Aid Office and to CHRIS PFERRY who has been named assistant director of Financial Aid...

Until next month, Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah!...