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University Now Deferring Decisions on Admission

USF began deferring last Monday decisions on students seeking admission next fall as a result of actions taken last week by the Board of Regents.

The BOR ordered deferral of admissions and a 90 percent enrollment ceiling as part of a statewide contingency plan until the 1976 Legislature decides on its appropriations for the State University System.

Chancellor E.T. York reported last week that legislative leaders have indicated USF appropriations will be held to current levels.

USF President Cecil Mackey said no additional new students can be accepted for next year until a system is developed to ensure fair treatment of all students seeking USF admission within BOR enrollment limits.

"We will honor all those who have received formal acceptances; but all others will be deferred, at least temporarily," President Mackey said. "This is regrettable, but necessary until the Legislature decides on its 1976-77 funding for the universities."

So far, 236 students have been accepted for next September, but some 2,751 others who have applied will be deferred. Admission requests for next fall are running about twice the number of this past September.

Bicentennial Flag Ceremony Set

USF, which has been declared a Bicentennial Campus, will be presented with a bicentennial flag and scroll during half-time ceremonies of tomorrow's basketball game with Auburn at Curtis Hixon Hall. An official flag-raising will take place Monday at 8:30 a.m. in front of the ADM Bldg., with Fred Leary, chairman of Tampa's bicentennial committee, President Cecil Mackey and Dr. William Morris, USF's bicentennial chairperson.

Season's Greetings

The holiday season is a special time -- a time for happiness and a time when day-to-day concerns tend to fade in the reflection of so many things for which we can all be thankful. I hope this spirit fills all of you.

As we have in the past, Mrs. Mackey and I will observe our practice of making a personal contribution in the name of the University to a local charity oriented to children rather than sending greeting cards to members of the University Community. We trust this tradition continues to have your understanding and support.

We look forward to the start of our sixth year at USF and sharing with you the responsibilities of providing educational enrichment to the people we serve and service to the State of Florida.

Mrs. Mackey and I, along with Carol, John and Ann, wish you and yours a joyous season and a rewarding new year.

Cecil Mackey
President

Next INTERCOM Is Last Issue Until Jan. 9

The Dec. 19 INTERCOM will be the last of 1975. The first issue of the New Year will be Jan. 9, 1976. The INTERCOM staff wishes you and yours a Happy Holiday Season.

Deadline for material for next issue: 5 p.m. today, ADM 190

USF Takes First Steps Toward Contingency Plan

USF has begun first steps to develop a 1976-77 contingency plan based on Board of Regents (BOR) guidelines calling for a 10 percent reduction in enrollment and related expenditures.

Pending legislative action on next year's appropriations, the BOR last week asked each of the university presidents to identify areas of potential savings which would be earmarked for salary increases, operational expenses and equipment. Under BOR guidelines, USF next fall might have to reduce expenditures $4 million through a variety of personnel actions and spending cutbacks to meet its contingency budget. However, a survey of all USF positions which technically could be eliminated shows the University would still be short by about $1 million.

The survey identified a total potential of 193 positions, including all current vacancies, attrition estimates, temporary and part-time personnel, first and second-year faculty, career service personnel on probationary status and first-year administrative and professional (AMP) staff.

Another option being studied by USF is the possible elimination of supplemental summer employment. This would permit scheduling faculty appointments in any three of the four academic quarters to reduce overall personnel costs.

In his report to Chancellor E.T. York, President Cecil Mackey said he could not "overestimate the last year's impacts that the implementation of those options would have upon the University," and added:

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Air Handling Equipment to be Off In Some Buildings from Dec. 19

In order to realize maximum utility savings over the Christmas Holidays, the air handling equipment will be off in the following buildings from 5 p.m. Dec. 19 through 6 a.m. Jan. 5 unless otherwise indicated:

LET (except Dean's Area and Sponsored Research); LET Auditorium; BUS; BSA: ADM (ex. Dec. 20 and Jan. 2*); PED; GYM (on--daytime, off nighttime*); EMA; FAO; SO/C (on--daytime, off nighttime*); TAT (Dec. 12 through Jan. 5--on day, off night); EBD (ex. ed. res.); ULI (ex. basement); LIB (on day, off night, ex. Special Collections); CBA (on day, off night*); Outdoor P.E. Facilities; ENG (part of bldg...A/H 3 and 4 will be down, A/H 5 on day, off night); LIL (on day, off night); SNAP (on day, off night); CFA (catering only); PHY (part of bldg...A/H 2, 5 and 6 will be down); CHF (ex. A/H 2; A/H 6-second week only).

(*Electricity will remain on. Available for daytime use only.)
INTERCOM Correction Noted

Last week's INTERCOM mistakenly reported that Dean Ed Kopp of the College of Engineering is president of the USF Theta Phi chapter of the professional business fraternity Delta Sigma Pi. It is Dean Kopp's son, Ed Kopp, who is the Theta Phi president.

Annual Credit Union Meeting Slated

The Eighteenth Annual Membership Meeting of the USF Credit Union will be held Jan. 15, 1976 at 5:30 p.m. in the Credit Union Bldg.

An election for the following offices will be held: one member to the Board of Directors, one member to the Credit Committee, five members to the Supervisory Committee.

Nominations other than those made by the nominating committee must be filed with the manager of the Credit Union at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting. Such nominations must be in writing and in petition form bearing the signatures of at least 20 members or one percent of total membership, whichever is greater.

Gov. Askew Appoints Woman to BOR

Betty Anne Staton of Orlando was appointed to the Florida Board of Regents last week by Gov. Reubin Askew.

The former state president of the League of Women Voters replaces Regent D. Burke Kibler whose nine-year term expires in January.

Pending expected cabinet approval, Mrs. Staton will appear at the Jan. 5 BOR meeting at USF.

Economics and Aging Course Set

Dr. Alan Entine, visiting professor from New York State University at Stony Brook, will teach AGE 507, Economics and Aging, in Quarter II.

The course, open to graduate students and seniors with permission of the instructor, is a study of the basic processes of macro-economic thought in the modern mixed economy and what influences these processes have on the subject of aging.

Further information on the course is available by calling either ext. 2414 or 2076.

First Contingency Steps Taken

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"The potential reduction of first and second-year faculty would be particularly devastating to our ability to maintain viable academic programs in many of our colleges. Further, this would represent a setback to our equal opportunity gains realized over the past two years.

"The potential reduction of our career service and A&P employees would dramatically curtail essential supporting services to our student body, our faculty and the community....

"Further, while the technical possibilities for reductions have been identified, the University would exercise these options only as a last resort and would explore every other possible alternative prior to reaching a decision.

"USF would prefer to follow a course of making programmatic reductions based upon college and University priorities if reductions become mandatory."

Along these lines, USF deans are reviewing all of their programs and courses to identify areas for possible reductions.

Holiday Payroll Information Given

Employees wishing to pick up pay warrants on Friday, Jan. 2 may do so between 1 and 4 p.m. in the Cashier's Office, ADM 131.

In addition to presenting a staff I.D., employees must know the check distribution number assigned their department.

Departments wishing to pick up their entire envelope on Friday, Jan. 2, must request, in writing, permission and receive approval from the Payroll Office by Dec. 15.

Due to the closing of certain offices, all payroll questions and problems must be postponed until Monday, Jan. 5.

Welcome, New Faculty, Staff

INTERCOM wishes a sincere welcome to the following new employees whose names have been furnished by Personnel Services.


Programs, activities and facilities of the University of South Florida are available to all on a non-discriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, age or national origin. The University is an affirmative action Equal Opportunity Employer.

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