Approximately 40 percent of the members of the NFO Faculty Association Tuesday afternoon issued a vote of no confidence in Dr. Robert W. Wright president of the institution.

Seventy-four Faculty Association members voted for no confidence in Dr. Wright’s leadership ability while three voted in favor of Dr. Wright and his ability. With a total of 91 faculty members, 84 were eligible to participate as members of the association.

I have been informed by the president of the Faculty Association and certain members of the faculty senate concerning the results of the survey and the vote of no confidence,” said Dr. Wright.

“I can only say that there is disappointment from the faculty towards the administration and I am sympathetic towards the things they have voiced.”

“I hope, however, that I and the other administrative members can take this information and work together with the faculty in the future to improve the relationship and rapport,” Dr. Wright said.

“Seventy-four percent of the faculty has voted against the administration and do my best in providing the type of leadership we feel this college should have.”

On the same day, the faculty senate met to discuss the results of the survey taken earlier in the school year concerning faculty morale.

Eighty percent of faculty responded to the survey which contained 47 questions ranging from topics concerning administration, teaching, facilities and local concerns and the school’s budget.

“Those answering the survey were asked to respond to whether they disagree, strongly disagree or agree or strongly agree.”

A copy of the results was sent by the administration to Dr. Wright last Thursday.

“The faculty association presented a written response from Dr. Wright. The response was presented in Faculty Association president Dr. Wright was Monday at the Board of Regents for Oklahoma State and A&M Colleges.

The survey addressed fiscal considerations, teaching considerations, leadership/administration considerations, leadership/faculty association considerations, facilities/services and roommates.

Fifty-nine percent of the 65 surveyed agreed with the statement that NFO has a disproportionately large number of administrators. Fifty-eight percent strongly agreed.

The survey also showed that 80 percent of those responding either disagree or strongly disagreed that “the level of competence of administrators is sufficient for a two-year higher education institution.”

Ninety-six percent disagreed with a statement that student and faculty morale had increased.

On the other hand, ninety-one percent disagreed with a statement that “the survey found and is kept informed on critical issues.”

Ninety-one percent disagreed with a statement that “the faculty senate has represented faculty interests adequately.”

Seventy-nine percent agreed the Faculty Association has done an adequate job while 80 percent disagreed that the faculty senate had a sense of ownership of the institution.

Faculty issues no confidence vote

Enrollment figures decline

Spring enrollment showed a slight decrease from the fall semester but not as drastic as in previous years–according to Dale Patterson, dean of admissions.

The total number of students enrolled for the fall semester is 2,209 after all spring enrollment figures were released.

This figure represents a 141 head count drop from enrollment figures in the fall semester. This figure pointed out however, that this spring figure is an all-time high for the school.

A normal attrition of students that comes between the fall and spring semester was expected.

This year however we had a lower percent of students leaving than in the past five years.

“We are currently involving a larger spring semester enrollment total than in the past few years.”

In fact, the number of students leaving NFO between semesters in 1990 has decreased by an average of 10 percent.

Patterson attributes this to various programs the school has developed to retain students.

“I think improvements we have made in such areas as advisement, housing, security, and counseling have decreased the risk of a student dropping out of school once they have enrolled,” Patterson said.

Nursing student acknowledged

Rebecca Tyson, a first-year nursing student from Muskogee, is quickly becoming a familiar face on campus.

Tyson was recently selected as the first Nursing Student of the Year by the Oklahoma State Nurses Association.

“Rebecca has been a very dedicated student,” said Mary Anne Johnson, director of nursing education.

The award is given each year to nursing students who have demonstrated excellence in their field.

Tylor, a junior majoring in nursing, was selected for the award because of her academic achievement, leadership abilities, and involvement in community activities.

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Tell someone how you feel

Valentine's Day is everyone's chance to show someone else that they love them or like them, with cards, flowers or with that special gift. Today is a day for couples and non-couples. You can send a card or something to friends and family to let them know that you are thinking about them.

This day can be very expensive if one goes all out for that special person in their life. There are lots of cards and gifts that can express the way you feel about someone. Do not worry if you cannot express yourself in words because there are cards for everything. If Cupid's arrow has not hit in your direction yet there maybe someone who may surprise you.

Don't worry if you do not receive anything because you will not be alone. It is not because your boyfriend or girlfriend does not care. It is probably that they don't have any money. A greeting card or just a Happy Valentine's Day hug will put a smile on someone's face.

Discrimination should be banned

In my opinion athletes seem to get a better treatment than the rest of the students here. As long as it is football season, basketball season, wrestling or baseball going on there might be someone who will miss all that is possible to keep them in school. Some of the key athletes can have fights with other team members and do no number of other things and only get suspended for a game or two. It appears that if it was any other student they would get rid of as quickly as possible. It seems like if you are a usable person who is trying to get an education and slip up a little bit not to get a second chance. I am not picking on athletes or saying they should not get a second chance. But everyone should be allowed the same treatment regardless of whether they are athlete, honor student, good at an sport.

This should be a fair system and no special treatment should be given to a certain athlete, color or group. Discrimination in any form should not be allowed to continue in our society.

Afro-Americans observe heritage and recognition during February

February is a very special month for many Afro-Americans because it is a time for black people to remember their heritage. There were plenty of snow, torn and a lot of struggling for black people to be where they are today.

Thousands of people lost their lives, and sacrificed a lot. There were several people lost in the struggle that many black people still do not know about. There were many great Afro-Americans that helped make a way for our future.

Many young people still do not know about their heritage and it is a shame that we only know just a little from history books. Black people are not the only ones that should be familiar with black history. All nationalities should become involved in understanding the development of black culture.

This is a special month and I hope that many people will go to the library and check out a little history. It is very interesting and you will find out things you could only imagine.

Erika Major

Student

Senator introduces welfare legislation to relax restrictions

Senator Doris Nichols has called on Congress to lessen federal controls on state efforts to reform the nation's welfare system. In testimony before the Social Security and Family Policy Subcommittee of the Senate Finance Committee, Nichols urged lawmakers to relax the federal government's control over welfare programs. She said that states should be allowed to determine how welfare is administered in each state. Nichols also said that the government should not require states to maintain the same level of benefits for all residents. Nichols said that this would allow states to focus more on the needs of individual families. Nichols said that it is important for states to be able to make decisions about how welfare is administered in their own states. Nichols said that the government should not dictate how states should operate their welfare programs. Nichols said that this would allow states to be more innovative in their approach to welfare. Nichols also said that the government should not require states to maintain the same level of benefits for all residents. Nichols said that this would allow states to focus more on the needs of individual families. Nichols said that it is important for states to be able to make decisions about how welfare is administered in their own states.
Managing editor reveals hidden writing ambition

By Hollie McMillian

"My dad always said I should have been a boy," said Pam Kenny, a sophomore from Ivy. "I've always dreamt of being a sports writer and the fact that she is Editors of the Chicago Bulls is just one of the reasons that her dad felt this way.

Her love for sports and the encouragement of a high school friend led her into writing.

"My friend told me how much she enjoyed her journalism class when she was a freshman. So, the next year I decided to try it and have pursued it every since," she said.

She is currently the managing editor of The Norse Wind and the managing editor of the Viking yearbook.

"I really do like my job because it teaches me responsibility. It's a big job, but as the saying goes, somebody has to do it," Kenny said.

"I am in charge of two publications that will reach approximately 2,000 people.

"I spend anywhere from 10-20 hours just on the newspaper, writing stories, editing and laying out pages," said Kenny.

This leaves her with little spare time for anything. She still wants to find the time to study, spend time with her friends, and of course, watch sporting events.

Kenny plans to attend Northwestern State University at Natchitoches when she graduates this spring.

She is going to major in journalism with an English minor so she can teach secondary education.

"When I get my bachelor's degree I am planning to follow in the footsteps of becoming a sports writer. If that doesn't work out, then I am going to teach," Kenny said.

Kenny said that she would probably take a break from working on a newspaper when she is at NSU.

"I started working on a newspaper when I was a sophomore in high school. I have been working on publications ever since.

"I feel that I should take the break so that I can concentrate more on my studies and so that when I do go back to writing it will be fresh," Kenny said.

TAKING CALLS

Norse Wind managing editor Pam Kenny sits in the newsroom and fields calls on an average day. Kenny has decided to pursue a career in education and sports writing. (Photo by Andy Griggs)

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Preparation of tax return can be tough

There are some things that a person should consider in finding a tax firm. The Internal Revenue Service has a few suggestions.

A tax preparation service, a CPA, or a friend, who will be available to answer if a taxpayer should have any questions about the preparation of their tax returns.

Send all entries to: CGAP College Contest
1830 Gervais Street, Suite 200
Rockville, MD 20852
Wrestlers compete in regionals

Eight members of the Golden Norse wrestling squad left Mami Thursday morning to participate in the Region II tournament in Todd CC. "This is by far the toughest regional we've been to," said NCO coach Al Lancher.

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Lady Norse sweep two league game

By Jennifer Brake

After the balanced scoring attack of five players scoring in double-figures, the Lady Norse defeated Bacon 79-70 Monday night at the NEO Fieldhouse. With the win, the Lady Norse improve their season record to 22-2 overall and move to 5-1 in conference play.

Coach Randy Gipson’s Lady Norse will continue their conference play next week.

The Lady Norse will conclude the home portion of the schedule Monday against arch-rival Com- nore State College at 6 p.m. before traveling to Weskar on Thursday for another 6 p.m. meeting.

**Lady Norse 79-Bacon 39**

Four of the five Lady Norse starters scored in double-figures as the Lady Norse took a 20-0 point lead in the opening minutes of the game. The Lady Norse never looked back.

After two quick baskets by the Lady Warriors, the Lady Norse went on a 12 consecutive point scoring spree to lift the score to 22-9 midway through the first half.

From there, three-point baskets by Jami Maxwell and Shawnda DeCamp help to raise the half-time score to 39-15.

Bacon made a slight comeback in the opening minutes of the second half by making off eight consecutive points before DeCamp was able to calm another 3-point basket.

Immediately following the 3-point basket, DeCamp hit a layup before Rochelle Lang of Bacon hit another 3-point basket.

The Lady Norse then went on a 13-point scoring run behind baskets by Harper, Sherronda Purley, Ed- die Person, Lashonda Marble and Anna Lewis.

Throughout the remaining minutes of the game, the team played at a high level.

The Lady Norse went on to score two consecutive baskets during the closing minutes of the game.

Purley and DeCamp led all scorers with 10 points each, followed by Harper and Lewis with 12, and Person with 10.

The Lady Norse defense was also able to hold the Bacon offense to below 50 percent from the field while shooting a whopping 58 percent.

Jumi Bell led Bacon with 11 total points.

**Norsemen 68-Carl Albert 49**

Veteran forward Larry Harper scored 28 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lift the Lady Norse past Carl Albert by a score of 68-46.

With the win, coach Randy Gipson’s seventh-ranked Lady Norse improved to 22-2 overall and 5-1 in the conference.

Starting the game off right, the Lady Norse jumped out to an early 14-2 lead behind the leadership of Harper who scored 10 of those points.

The Lady Vikings staged a short comeback mid-way through the first half by scoring seven consecutive points.

Four quick points by Purley and a basket by Stanly Looney gave the Lady Norse a 24-13 margin with 4:47 left until the half.

Carl Albert scored seven points in the final 30 seconds to pull the score to 26-23.

Early in the second half, Harper scored 2 straight points to lift the Lady Norse pull away at 47-24 late half hour through the second half.

Three-point field goals by Looney, Jumi Maxwell along with four points by Anna Lewis culminated the scoring for the Lady Norse.

Besides Harper’s 28 points, Looney scored 12 and Lewis added 10.

Norsemen snap streak

U P AND IN:

Fresno State guard Eddie Person (23) drives for a layup over Bacon’s Kerri Bell during a 76-39 victory Monday night in the NEO Fieldhouse. Person scored 10 points and recorded four assists and three steals as the Lady Norse won their 52 consecutive game at home. Both NEO teams will close out the home portion of the schedule Monday against arch-rival Com- nore State College.

Photo by Pete Griggs

Spurred by a 25-point performance from forward Ron Roberts, the Golden Norsemen defeated Bacon 64-32 Monday night in the NEO Fieldhouse.

While stopping a three-game losing streak the Norsemen improved to 22-2 in the BI State First and 17 overall in conference play in their conference game against Comnors State. Next Thursday the Norse travel to Front Smith to play Weskar.

Both games are scheduled to start at 8 p.m.

**Norsemen 64-Bacon 22**

Roberts, 6-6, from Tescula, Ark., electrified the home crowd by connecting on four 3-pointers to give the Norse a 29-12 lead with 9:35 left in the first half.

Consecutive field goals by Ken- ny Washington, Neville Davis, and Anthony Bruner pulled Bacon to a 29-26 deficit with 4:35 until intermission.

Four points by Scoop Williams along with baskets by Kevin Joseph and Robert Hipps gave NEO a 35-18 halftime.

Technical fouls on NEO coach Lance Apons and Kevin White resulted in a Warrior comeback.

The technical fouls pulled Bacon to within four at 43-39.

A layup basket by Kevin Joseph gave NEO a halftime lead of 43-35.

Leading 36-32 with 3:55 left in the game, NEO went on to run out to put the game away for the Norse.

Roberts, 25 points led all scorers, Williams 17 points for the Norse. Sam Brown contributed eight points and Archie Fuller scored nine.

Westlaw led the Warhorses with 23 points. Duvall added 12, Don Rich- batis, Washington, and Bruner all scored 10 points.

Fresno State’s taco meal defeated the Norse 65-50.

Fresno State guard bidi NEO with 20 rebounds, as the Norse concluded the season.

**Carl Albert 85-Norse 82 (OT)**

With the Norse leading 73-71 with six seconds left in regulation play, Vigman guard Chris Adkins was fouled. Allkins hit both free throws to send the game into overtime.

The lead changed hands three times in overtime with NEO holding an 82-81 lead after a field goal by Roberts with 50 seconds left.

Carl Albert’s Bryce Arcbey hit a basket with 24 seconds left.

After a Norse turnover, Arcbey was fouled and hit two free throws to send NEO’s fate to one second left.

Williams led the Norse in scoring with 18 points. Fuller contributed 17. Joseph, Roberts and Lamb scored 14 each as NEO put five players in double figures.

Akins and Justin Sylvester scored 20 points each, while Donno Gardner scored 17.

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