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President of WTSU defends himself against charges

CANYON (AP) — The president of West Texas State University said Wednesday that underlying reasons affecting all aspects of education in the state are behind the faculty senate's desire that he be fired.

According to a recent survey, faculty members favor the dismissal of President Ed Roach because of cost overruns on the new president's home. Results of the survey showed that 87 percent of the faculty no longer have confidence in Roach, said Don Envik, faculty senate president.

"I feel I'm speaking for the majority of the faculty when I say we want a new president," Envik said Tuesday.

Roach said Wednesday that he understands the faculty's anger but he feels it is a result of the strenuous state of Texas education.

"I think the uncertainty among faculty members in the state is high," he said. "A lot of the things they are saying are symbolic of underlying problems with Texas education."

Roach joined the university two years ago after leaving a department head post at Southwest Texas State University. Since coming to WTSU, he has implemented a 16-month planning process to streamline the university and the administration, he said.

"We made some changes," he said. "Whenever you make changes there are winners and losers. A university is not like a business. You can't just let someone go in a university."

Roach has been under fire since midsummer when he and his wife

moved into the new president's mansion. The campus had been without a president's home since 1972.

The home originally was budgeted for \$494,000, but \$991,000 was spent on the 7,301-square foot home. The cost did not include landscaping.

Roach said the home would be used for a variety of university functions, including fund raising.

On Oct. 31, the Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System voted to disallow \$211,000 of the cost and told regents to repay the sum. Regents have not announced a plan for repaying the funds.

Roach said he had made his comments to the coordinating board about the house and didn't want to discuss it further.

"It certainly was bad timing," he said of the decision to build the home.

Envik said the cost overruns enraged faculty members, who were pruning their budgets to adapt to state-mandated cuts.

"The house sits out there as a kind of symbol — of arrogance," Envik said. "It has damaged the image of our university and placed doubt in the minds of alumni that we can manage money."

Roach said university alumni and the student senate have voted overwhelmingly to endorse his efforts at improving the university.

Oilman T. Boone Pickens, president of the board of regents, said Roach certainly doesn't lack confidence from the board and criticized the faculty senate for the survey.

In Advance

NOVACON II to be held this weekend

MSC Nova will host NOVACON II, a games tournament, Friday through Sunday in the Memorial Student Center.

Games to be included in the tournament are advanced Dungeons and Dragons, Micro Armor, Star Fleet Battles, Third Reich and Axis and Allies.

Registration begins Friday at 5 p.m. on the second floor of Rudder Tower. The cost is \$3 for the three-day convention or \$3.50 for

those who want to play Dungeons and Dragons.

The games are open to all participants and to players of all levels.

Rooms will be set aside for open gaming, where people set up their own games or games that are not included in the tournament.

All of the actual tournament games will be provided by Nov

Gallery displays artwork of faculty

Something is different about the artwork displayed in the College of Architecture and Environmental Design Gallery this month.

Instead of student work, the work has been done by the college's faculty members.

The exhibit is open to the general public with gallery hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

NU VU '86 is the theme of the exhibit, which contains the work of 25 faculty members from five different departments: Architecture and Environmental Design.

The annual exhibit emphasizes work the faculty has done during the last year. Paintings, drawings, photographs and sculpture just some of the types of art displayed in the exhibit.

Czech festival planned at Brazos Center

A festival celebrating the Czechoslovakian-Moravian heritage in Texas will be held Friday through Sunday at the Brazos Center.

The three-day program, "Czech Music in Texas: A Sesquicentennial Celebration," will be highlighted by lectures, panel discussions and musical performances.

Lectures will be given by prominent folklorists, musicologists, writers and other scholars.

Panel discussions will focus on the value and meaning of Czech music in Texas. Musical perfor-

mances will be given by pianists, polka bands, orchestral groups and dance groups.

The program, co-sponsored by the Brazos County Sesquicentennial Commission and the College of Architecture and Environmental Design, also will sponsor exhibits of antique musical instruments, song books and other artifacts.

Admission for all three days of the symposium is \$20 per person and \$5 per child under the age of 12. Tickets at the door will be more expensive.

For more information call 1986.

Houston-area doctors hurt by weak economy

HOUSTON (AP) — The ailing economy and tight controls on health care costs are making it harder to provide free medical care to those who cannot afford to pay, some Houston-area doctors say.

Dr. Jorge Pinera put an advertisement in a small local newspaper three years ago telling his patients not to worry if they were unemployed or were without health insurance because they would be treated free of charge.

Pinera said he still feels that same obligation — but he isn't repeating his advertisement. "I can't help all of them," he said.

Pinera said he has no extra money to offset the

costs of treating large numbers of poor patients for free.

The local economy, battered by the oil price collapse, and stringent controls on health care costs instituted by government and business have squeezed excess dollars out of the system.

Dr. Betty Stephenson, president of the Harris County Medical Society, said she has decided not to reactivate the society's "recession-distressed program" for the newly unemployed.

The program, which brought Houston national recognition in 1983, offered to find doctors for people who recently lost their jobs and health insurance.

"It put a burden on a lot of primary care physi-

cians, seeing patients who had never had a private doctor in their whole lives," she said.

Houston doctors are having their own special problems, with some reporting that their practices are down by as much as 70 percent, Stephenson said in a medical society newsletter.

Those patients who can pay have become commodities worth keeping. Dr. James Adams, obstetrician-gynecologist, said the economy has made him and other doctors hesitant to send their patients away for consultation.

"In the past, we didn't worry about it," he said. "We had so many patients, it didn't make a difference when you referred patients to specialists."

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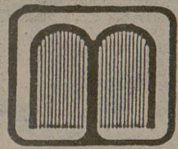
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