Legislators get UCF's wish list

Universities ask for 'reform' when planning budgets

Letter from the president

Altman: Money problem 'bump in road' for UCF

Note: This letter represents the first in an occasional series of letters to the UCF community about subjects affecting campus development.

The 1991 Legislature will convene next week, and, as usual, its deliberations will have a direct impact on the university's operations next year, Gov. Lawton Chiles' proposed budget which serves as an important starting point, calls for our budget to be effectively reduced by another 9 percent. This recommendation will place before the Legislature a series of dilemmas for funding the State University System. Substantial salary increases for faculty and staff, and funding for enrollment growth and needed facilities remain our top priorities for the session. Meetings with members of our delegation have confirmed their understanding of and support for our needs. Our success in providing high quality education and the rapid population growth in the region will continue to make us one of the most desirable and fastest growing universities in the state. An appropriate funding level will hasten this development.

However, the continuing shortfall in state income and the repeated promises by elected officials of no new taxes suggest a poor budgetary outlook for next year. Constrained funding puts some of our development plans for next year at risk. Obviously, too, the economic downturn reduces private funding prospects. Consequently, we are taking a number of steps now in anticipation of next year's budget. We will continue our policy of very limited hiring and spending. Doubtlessly, the appearance of the campus will suffer due to deferred maintenance. Wherever feasible, we will manage our own funds here at home, said Daniel Holsenbeck, senior counsel to the president and director of government relations.

If the plan had been adopted prior to this year's budget cuts, UCF could have possibly avoided hiring freezes and class reductions by shifting dollars from other categories. We could shift dollars without going through the governor or the legislature. Please see LIST, page 3

Computer programmers ready

After months of practice, Southeastern champs headed for nationals

The University of Central Florida programming team boasts a stunning Southeastern Regional record of placing in the top three every year since their first competition nine years ago. At this year's regionals, UCF placed first, earning a spot in the national competition in San Antonio on Wednesday, March 6. UCF's record in national competition is impressive, with a fourth-place finish in 1986, and a second, behind Stanford, in 1987. When you realize that second in nationals really means second in the world, you can't be too unhappy with that kind of a finish," said computer professor Ari Arrooji, faculty advisor for the computer team since 1989.

The key to UCF's consistent success has been practice, he said. "We try to duplicate everything that happens at regionals and nationals," Arrooji said. "Our objective is to eliminate surprises so the team can concentrate on solving programming problems.

The process begins with team selection early in September. Twenty to 35 students are given a set of 10 problems to solve in six hours. Two four-man teams are created out of the top 10 finishers. Teams are designed by a balance in different areas of programming expertise. Each problem in the competition has a different application. One may be a geometry problem and another an engineering problem. "We don't want all four students on each team to have expertise in the same area," Arrooji said.

Then practice begins. The teams, alternates, and six advisors meet for eight hours every Saturday for seven weeks before regionals. Six of those eight hours are spent under actual competition conditions, efficiently managing computer facilities. Please see CHAMPS, page 3

Next Issue of The UCF Report is March 15 • Deadline March 6
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The conference is titled, "Wellness: A Vision for the Future." It features speakers and participants from around the world and from various career fields, including health, education and human resources.

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There has been considerable confusion and concern expressed by students and others over a report that the Board of Regents approved replacing UCF’s program in radio and TV production and broadcasting technology with a new film program.

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From: Barry Beck, Florida Sinkhole Research Institute

Subject: Spring commencement

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Legislature," Holsenbeck said. "We could easily get into a bind if we aren't allowed this flexibility."

Besides management reform, UCF legislative interests for the coming legislative session are:

• Restoration of 1990-91 base budget: This year, more than $3.5 million was sliced out of UCF's budget; however, enrollment increased. At UCF, 1,243 students are now enrolled without the funds to support the education provided.

• Funding of enrollment growth: The Board of Regents has recommended that UCF receive funding for 70 new full-time equivalent students for next year. This equals to almost $4.8 million in new faculty, lines and support.

• Salary increases: The Board of Regents has requested a 10 percent salary increase for faculty, staff and administrative and professional areas of state general revenue shortfalls.

• Full funding of the Florida Solar Energy Center. It has been suggested that the center be eliminated from the 1991-92 state budget because of the revenue shortfall. UCF officials insist, however, that the center performs "vital energy-related research and public service functions" and therefore should be funded.

• Maintaining research achievements: UCF has requested funds to continue several research endeavors which directly affect the state's economic quality, including, among others, biotechnology, training, infrastructure engineering, human factors research, space-related activities and stakeholder research. The Board of Regents' request for high-tech research throughout the SUS is $4 million.

• Board of Regents appropriations recommendations: Included in the Board of Regents' budget request are specific issues affecting UCF. The figures in the budget were submitted by the board late in 1990, prior to reductions in the base budget. They are: Florida-USSR International Linkage Institute, $152,000; branch campuses and centers, $360,621; Eminent Scholars Program; and Major Gifts Program.

Holsenbeck is confident legislators will be open to UCF's interests.

"I think we have a shot at partial fulfillment of all our requests," he said, adding that Central Florida delegates strongly support the university.

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ing computer time and hoping problem-solving capabilities to solve as many problems as possible in a limited time. The tactics are built around beating the clock. Alternates act as judges, sometimes making unreasonable requests so team members learn that a judge's authority is unquestioned. To argue with a judge is disruptive to the team and a major time-waster.

If a judge says two plus two is five, you accept that and go on," Arooji said.

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"The Board of Regents simultaneously will be pursuing a series of management reform initiatives designed to give the universities more flexibility in the use of their funds. If successful, we will have an improved opportunity to reduce bureaucracy and increase service and decision-making effectiveness."

"Legislators seem to be receptive to these ideas, but are asking for increased measurement of educational outcomes. They want to be sure we are held accountable for funding that comes with fewer strings attached. They want to be sure adequate attention is given to the amount and quality of teaching being conducted. They want to be sure our physical plant is used efficiently, particularly in the evening and weekends."

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Generally, we will have to develop the habit of saying "no" to promising new opportunities requiring funding. We will not, however, foreclose future opportunities for growth, nor will we lose sight of the many things we can do without infusions of new revenues.

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Women's Club plans luncheon

The UCF Women's Club will have a luncheon and tour of the UCF Arboretum on Tuesday, March 5, at 10 a.m.

Lunch will be at 11:45 a.m. at the University Holiday Inn. Reservations for the luncheon are required by Monday, March 4. For information, call 788-6201 or 366-1944.
For Sale

- Bike, Schwinn World arcpy, 27 in., 4 yrs old. Ride OK. $75 or best offer. Hill, 203-64.
- Boat, '89 Marlin 15 ft. w/ custom trailer and wheels. 20 hrs on 50 hp engine. Custom boat w/ custom interior, including stereo system. Paid $8,000 in '89. Sacrifice for $3,000. Comes with 4-year warranty. Good condition. Judy, x2504, or x329-2643, after 5:30 p.m.
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Miscellaneous

- Exercise unit, Ajay Octa-gym, designed to shape and strengthen both upper and lower body. $175 or best offer. Lodi, pr. ethnic dolls, excellent condition. Appraised at $75 or best offer. Bill, 2504.
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- Typewriter, IBM Selectric II, 6 print elements, good condition. $125. Marti, x5703 or 356-3670, after 6 p.m.
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