

Provost to divvy faculty salaries

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For years, legislative budget cuts have forced administrators to give deans and department heads more control over available faculty salary money, but now administrators are thinking of taking that control back.

When faculty members leave, their salary money is sent to the deans of their respective colleges, who then let their department heads vie for the money before the dean decides into which department to sweep it.

President Peter Likins and Provost George Davis want to change that in order to let the provost decide which department needs the money most.

"We are very serious about creating a mechanism for the university to reallocate some dollars across colleges," Davis said. "It's really no different than what the deans of the colleges absolutely depend on."

Some of the deans said they were uncertain what a loss of control could mean for their colleges but said they understand the basic need for centralization of funds.

"You have to have flexibility and be able to rethink what you're doing," said Mark Zupan, dean of the Eller College of Business and Public Administration.

He said he is not sure how such a change would affect the Eller college.

"It could go either way, but until you see how it actually plays out, it's hard to predict," he said.

Joaquin Ruiz, dean of the College of Science, said he is in favor of the reallocation plan, with some caveats.

"My only concern is that the reason the university runs as well is because deans can move quickly," he said. "I hope the university doesn't lose by centralizing too much money."

Some opportunities are lost if money can't be moved quickly, he said.

Tom Baldwin, head of the biochemistry department, said he is concerned about the ideas administrators are

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Cats start rebuilding



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Interim UA head football coach Mike Hankwitz answers questions yesterday during a press conference in the McKale Center. Hankwitz, who officially took over the program Sunday, said he is ready for Saturday's game at Washington State.

11-member committee to play key role in search for new head football coach

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A committee made up of university representatives, prominent Tucson businessmen and UA athletics department officials will play a major role in choosing a permanent replacement for departed head coach John Mackovic, Athletic Director Jim Livengood said yesterday.

Senior Associate Athletics Director of Sports Programs and Operations Kathleen "Rocky" LaRose has, along with Livengood, appointed 10 members from across the Tucson landscape to help with the nationwide search.

Included in the committee — to be headed by LaRose — is automobile dealer Jim Click and real estate developer Bill Estes, both longtime supporters of UA athletics.

The committee will be handed the responsibility of finding the best person to fill the void and will make sure the candidate follows the guidelines set forth by the athletics department, Livengood said.

"We're looking for somebody who we think will be the best fit for Arizona football," said committee member John Perrin, the UA's senior associate athletics director for business affairs. "(He) must be able to relate (to) the kids and have a football mindset that fits our school."

Livengood said he was looking for someone

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Firing OK with students

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Those students who shouted, "Fire Mackovic," at the football games had their wishes granted after Livengood announced former coach John Mackovic's dismissal at a press conference on Sunday.

But now that the deed has been done, students are saying that the team needs to get better before they begin to fill the stands again.

"It wouldn't change whether I go to the game. It doesn't seem like anyone's going now," said Tim Arbon, a studio art junior. "I think they were impatient, and I don't necessarily think it will solve the problems the team had on the field."

Sean Smallman, a theater production junior, said that axing Mackovic will draw more fans only if it leads to a turnaround in team performance.

"If we start winning, it'll make anyone more likely to go to the game. It kinda sucks when your team is losing so badly," said Smallman, who is also a resident assistant in Cochise Residence Hall.

"I'm an RA, so I know the guys in my hall were thrilled to see him leave," he said.

For those less than infatuated with the Wildcat football team, the only thing that's important is whether or not the team is winning.

Lukas Westendorf, a pre-pharmacy

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John Mackovic's buyout package:

► The \$909,000 buyout of former UA head football coach John Mackovic's contract will come from revenues generated solely by the UA department of intercollegiate athletics (ICA). The buyout includes zero state or tuition money.

► Former head football coach Dick Tomey's buyout was also paid solely by ICA, with the final payment occurring in Jan. 2003.



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Freshmen Melanie Proulx, Erin Dougherty, and Braulio Rodriguez, stop to make a bookmark for an elementary student, in support of Project Volunteer's fall service week, yesterday on the Mall.

Student service week in full swing

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Siddharth Panwar joined Project Volunteer last year to get the required service hours the UA mandated for scholarship recipients.

Yesterday, Panwar, who is now on the organization's executive board, spent his early afternoon on the UA Mall, trying to get other students to realize they can make a difference, too.

As part of Fall Service Week, Panwar and his fellow Project Volunteer members were

encouraging UA students to make bookmarks for disadvantaged fifth graders.

The activity was organized by Kid Cats, a branch of Project Volunteer that pairs UA students with students from South Tucson elementary schools.

Through different service-oriented activities, Project Volunteer hopes to gain new members and spread the word about volunteerism.

For the remainder of the week, members of different committees will be asking students to volunteer a few moments of their time for a good cause.

Today, committee members will have frames for students to decorate that will be given to elderly patients at nursing homes.

Tomorrow, paper flowers will be constructed and donated to youth programs in the community. On Thursday, students can paint cups filled with goodies that will be taken to cancer patients at local hospitals. Students can also mix cookie ingredients for gifts to workers of the Student Union Memorial Center.

On Friday, students will have the opportunity to help the

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