

Shapiro: U-M cuts 'disaster'

The University of Michigan could lose up to \$9 million in the fourth state budget cut of the current fiscal year, says President Harold T. Shapiro.

"If the numbers we have been hearing turn out to be correct, it will be an unmitigated disaster," he said.

The Ann Arbor campus' share could be \$8 million, while the U-M campuses at Flint and Dearborn may lose up to \$500,000 each.

It would bring the total amount of deferrals and reductions in the 1981-82 state fiscal year at Ann Arbor to \$34 million — nearly 25 percent of the university's appropriation.

"WE HAVE tried in every way to be cooperative in helping to meet the state's problems," said Shapiro.

"We have gone to extraordinary lengths to cut programs, personnel, expenditures of every kind. We have pressed enormous tuition increases on the shoulders of students and their families. We have strained every resource available to this institution to make a major commitment to provide new initiatives in high technology and industrial diversification in this state.

"This latest proposal goes far beyond any presently known capacity within the university to sustain quality. Its impact will be destructive to everything we have tried to do to manage this institution in a way that will preserve its core strengths and vitality.

"If an order of this magnitude is enacted, the people of this state must be told that they are in danger of losing a resource they have worked 165 years to develop. If no restoration of these cutbacks occurs, I can almost guarantee the loss.

By Suzie Rollins Singer
staff writer

Two Bloomfield Township residents have been nominated by the Republican state convention to run for the University of Michigan Board of Regents.

Rockwell T. Gust Jr., 58, and Ellen Templin, 54, will run for eight-year terms. Gust is a longtime party fundraiser and former business associate of gubernatorial nominee Richard Headlee. Templin is vice chairwoman of the state GOP.

The seats they seek currently are held by Democrats Sarah Goddard Power and Thomas B. Roach, both of Ann Arbor. Both are expected to win renomination at the Democratic state convention this weekend in Flint.

GUST, AN attorney, has run several times for public office.

In 1956 he was the 14th District nominee for Congress. In 1961, he was elected a delegate to the Constitutional Convention. The next year, he ran for lieutenant governor, and in 1964 he was a candidate for the Republican nomination for attorney general.

He has been active in state fund raising for the Republican party for 22 years.

Gust is also a former vice president, general counsel and secretary of the Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co., where he became quite friendly with Headlee, who is president of the Farmington Hills-based firm.

Gust said his long association with Headlee, as well as the support of several local party leaders, led him to seek the U-M board seat nomination.

He also was persuaded to run after reviewing the economic situation of the university.

"I was reading in the U of M alumni publication that there is a drastic reduction of federal and state funds.

We're going to have to go to the private sector to get more funds, and that's going to be a challenge," Gust said.

"I'd like to try a different approach. There have always been foundations that have helped build libraries and buildings, but I'd like to go to them and show them the ever-increasing need for student-aid money. Maybe GM or other companies could guarantee student loans under certain conditions," he added.

TEMPLIN, also a graduate of U-M, was unavailable for comment after the convention.

She is presently the first vice chairwoman of the Michigan Republican Party, which places her second in command to Chairman Mel Larsen.

She is a charter member of the Bloomfield Republican Women's Club, was co-chairwoman of the Michigan Republican Women's Task Force, served on the state GOP women's advisory commission and was a delegate to the 1980 Republican national convention.

OTHERS NOMINATED at the state convention in Grand Rapids included: Thomas E. Brennan, former Supreme Court chief justice, for lieutenant governor; Elizabeth Andrus, president of Michigan Northern Railway, for secretary of state; L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County prosecutor, for attorney general.

Also, Jacqueling McGregor, a campaign worker for Senate nominee Phil Ruppe, and Ronald Erickson, Dwendale school superintendent, both for State Board of Education; George McManus of Grand Traverse County and Laura Heuser of Van Buren County, both farmers, for Michigan State University; Nancy Boykin, a Detroit schools administrator, and Sam Trentacosta, a Mt. Clemens attorney, for Wayne State University.

Selected by Republicans to run for nonpartisan posts on the State Supreme Court were Dorothy Comstock Riley, currently a Court of Appeals judge, and Ross Campbell, a Washtenaw County circuit judge.



Ellen Templin
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