## **OU** faculty will vote on 3-year pact

kland University faculty members are expect-vote the first week in March on a tentative syear contract that will contain improvements one they rejected last fall.

"It's fair and reasonable. We think it will be rati-fied," said Joel Russell, engineering faculty mem-ber and chief negotiator for the OU chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

The AAUP represents 335 full-time and 40 part-time instructors on the campus west of Rochester.

THE AGREEMENT'S economic terms would be retroactive to Aug. 15, when the previous contract expired, while other terms would take effect March 1. It would expire Aug. 14, 1985.

Russell said there are three broad areas of im-provements compared to the agreement rejected last fall.

The formula was improved for indexing salar the state univerity's revenue base, he said. Other areas of improvement were layoff provisions and clarity of contract language.

Professors at the top of the step scale would receive 12 percent increases over three years. Per-sons who have not reached the top step would receive additional step improvements.

THE TENTATIVE agreement was initialed Thursday after three months of bargaining.

Copies will be distributed next week to members, who then have seven days to study it.

A university spokesman said comments would be left to the faculty until after ratification. The board of trustees typically ratifies after the faculty has voted.



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## OU will drop 15 academic programs

Fifteen academic programs will be discon-linued by Oakland University because of de-clining revenues. Two administrative units will be eliminated.

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formance aspects of music, theater and dance to be administered by a new Center for the Fine and Performing Arts to be established within Arts and Sciences. OU WILL NO longer accept new students for.

OU WILL NO longer accept new students for:

• Undergraduate majors in theater or dance, although students may earn minors in these areas.

• Master of arts in area studies.

• Undergraduate secondary education majors in blology, chemistry, English, French, German, language arts, mathematics, physics, Russian and Spanish.

• Master of arts in mathematics.

• Master of arts in in developmental psychology.

Kleckner said the targeted programs enroll 103 students of OU's total headcount of 11,001. All students now enrolled in those programs will receive a reasonable time to complete de-gree requirements.

"OAKLAND UNIVERSITY is not abandon-ing its long-established commitment to the performing arts," Kleckner said.

"The professional Meadow Brook Theatre and Meadow Brook Festival are administered separately and unaffected by the board's ac-

"Further, students will have opportunity to mount high quality theatrical productions and dance concerts through the new Center of Fine and Performing Arts. Only the majors are being phased out."

Eventual savings could, run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars, the provost sudd. No immediate effects on personnel are anticipated. In future years, fewer part-time faculty will be needed in these areas, he said.

THE ACTIONS cap a long period of self-evaluation that began in November of 1931 when President Joseph E. Champagne formed a committee on academic mission and priori-ties, nicknamed CAMP, to review academic olderings.

