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#### RESOLUTION


concerning

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
At  
SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGE

June 8, 1979

- WHEREAS, Southern Connecticut State College has conducted a search to fill the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs, and
- WHEREAS, The President of Southern Connecticut State College, after due consultation with the faculty, has recommended the appointment of Dr. Robert A. Nowlan, Jr., and
- WHEREAS, The Executive Director endorses the President's recommendation, now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That, under the terms and conditions of the Trustees' Personnel Policies, Dr. Robert A. Nowlan, Jr. be and hereby is appointed Vice President for Academic Affairs, Southern Connecticut State College, effective June 8, 1979, at an annual salary of \$37,000.

A Certified True Copy:

  
James A. Frost  
Executive Director

## VITA

### I. Personal

Name: Robert Anthony Nowlan, Jr.  
Birthday: July 23, 1934  
Wife: Marilyn Lyons Nowlan  
Children: Robert Anthony, II - 17, Philip Lyons - 14,  
Edward Sean - 13, Jennifer Louise - 10.

### II. Education

Ph.D., University of Notre Dame; Notre Dame, Indiana, 1969  
Support: Arthur J. Schmidt Fellowship and National Science Fellowship  
Dissertation:  $A_n$ -actions on Fibre Spaces

M.S., Northern Illinois University; DeKalb, Illinois, 1959  
Thesis: Combinational Relations and Chromatic Graphs

B.S., Illinois State University; Normal, Illinois, 1956  
Fields: Mathematics and History

### III. Other Education

Academic Year Institute; NSF; University of Notre Dame, 1962-63  
NSF Summer Institutes; Tulane University, 1961, 1964, 1965  
University of Wisconsin, 1960

### IV. Professional Experience

Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs, SCSC, 1978-Present  
Acting Dean of Arts and Sciences, SCSC, 1978  
Professor of Mathematics, SCSC, 1973-Present  
Interim Chairman, Dept. of Mathematics, SCSC, 1975  
Assistant to Chairman and Graduate Advisor, Dept. of Mathematics, SCSC, 1972-76  
Associate Professor of Mathematics, SCSC, 1969-1973  
Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Instructor, St. Mary's College,  
Notre Dame, Indiana, 1963-69  
High School Teacher, Illinois, 1956-1962

### V. Other Teaching Experience

Summer Program for Minorities, SCSC, 1973, 1974  
Visiting Associate Professor, University of Notre Dame, 1969  
Upward Bound Programs, St. Mary's College and University of Notre Dame, 1967-69  
Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Notre Dame, 1967.

VI. Other Related Work Experience

Mathematician, U.S. Army, 1957, Released from active duty after Sputnik was launched, Honorable Discharge, 1964  
 Statistician, State Farm Insurance Company; Bloomington, Illinois, 1952-1956

VII. Publications

Something Called Mathematics; W. B. Saunders Co., (to appear, 1980)  
Lessons in Essential Mathematics: Book III (with R. M. Washburn), Harper and Row Publishers, Inc. (to appear, 1980)  
 "Back to Basics", Forum, New Haven Register, April 1978  
 "Another Educational Crisis", Forum, New Haven Register, October, 1977  
Lessons in College Algebra; Harper and Row Publishers, Inc., 1978  
Lessons in College Algebra with Trigonometry; Harper and Row Publishers, Inc., 1978  
Lessons in Essential Mathematics: Book II (with C. E. Lowe), Harper and Row Publishers, Inc. 1977  
Lessons in Essential Mathematics: Book I (with C. E. Lowe), Harper and Row Publishers, Inc. 1977  
Geometry for Teachers (with R. M. Washburn), Harper and Row Publishers, Inc., 1975  
 "A Study of H-spaces Via Left Translations"; Pacific Journal of Mathematics, 1972  
 " $A_n$ -actions on Fibre Spaces"; Indiana University Mathematics Journal, 1971

VIII. Research

Why Johnny Can't or Won't - An Informal Inquiry into U. S. Educational Problems; 1978-  
Basic Mathematics for Parents, 1978-  
A Modest Proposal - Educational Reform, 1976-77  
Elementary Topology (Text with C. E. Lowe), 1974-75  
Classification of Strongly Commutative H-spaces, 1970-1974  
Principal Fibrations, 1970-1973  
 "Topology of n-spheres", (with C. E. Lowe), 1972, published in 2 parts  
Journal of Undergraduate Mathematics, 1972, 1973  
H-spaces and Left Translations, 1969-70  
 $A_n$ -actions on Fibre Spaces, 1967-69  
The Schoenflies Problem, 1966  
Moore Path Spaces, 1965  
A Formalized Axiom System for Projective Geometry, 1963-64  
Combinational Relations and Chromatic Graphs, 1958-59

IX. Lectures and Interviews

Connecticut Newsmakers, Channel 8, New Haven, Conn. 1978  
 Twelve O'Clock Live, Channel 8, New Haven, Conn. 1977, 1978  
Grade Inflation, Public TV, Bridgeport, Conn. 1977  
There is Enough Blame to Go Around, (PTA Groups) 1977-78

What is 'Modern' about Modern Mathematics? (PTA Groups) 1960-76  
What is Topology? (PTA, Student, Teachers Groups) 1969-1975  
A Study of H-space Via Left Translations (Annual Meeting of The American  
 Mathematical Society), 1971  
An-actions on Fibre Space (Annual Meeting of The American Mathematical  
 Society, several colleges), 1969  
The Schoenflies Problem, (Colloquim: several colleges), 1966  
Moore Path Spaces, (Colloquim: several colleges), 1965  
A Formalized Axiom System for Projective Geometry, (Colloquim: several  
 colleges, PTA, Teachers Groups), 1963-64

#### X. Professional Societies

American Mathematical Society, 1962-present  
 Mathematical Association of America, 1960-present  
 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, 1956-present  
 American Association of University Professors, 1962-present

#### XI. Committee Work (\*=chairman)

Southern Connecticut State College

##### Departmental:

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee\*  
 Graduate Curriculum Committee\*  
 Department Evaluation Committee\*  
 Department Development Committee\*  
 NSF Academic Year Institute Committee  
 NCATE Committee on Faculty\*  
 Several other standing and ad hoc committees

##### College:

Curriculum Committee  
 Ad Hoc Committee on College Affairs  
 Ad Hoc Steering Committee  
 Deans' Council\*  
 Academic Affairs Council\*  
 Basic Studies Committee  
 Several other standing and ad hoc committees

St. Mary's College

##### Departmental:

Curriculum Committee\*  
 Handbook Committee\*  
 Admissions Committee\*  
 Several other standing and ad hoc committees

##### College:

Academic Affairs Committee\*  
 Academic Affairs Council (Policy making council)  
 Faculty Affairs Committee  
 Student Affairs Committee\*  
 Student Affairs Council (Policy making council)  
 Curriculum Committee\*  
 Handbook Committee\*

Senate  
Several other standing and ad hoc committees

XII. Miscellaneous

Co-founder (with Robert Gelbach) of Integrated Freshman Year Program  
Review approximately a dozen manuscripts a year for various publishers  
and journals.

Directed Honors Thesis of C. E. Lowe, 1972

Participated in Conference on Topological Dynamics, Yale, 1972

Listed in Who's Who in The East

Named an Outstanding Educator of America, 1972 by Outstanding Americans,  
Board of Advisors.

XIII. References

I have not included any cabinet level administrators as references  
although the Search Committee has my permission to contact such adminis-  
trators in regards to my candidacy.

James Barber, Community Affairs  
Helen Bass, Mathematics  
L. Winston Cone, History  
John Drobnyk, Earth Science  
Kenneth Farrell, Student  
Kenneth Florey, English  
Robert Gelbach, Political Science  
Kerry Grant, Mathematics  
Edward Harris, Political Science  
Lewis House, History  
Grace Kelly, Counseling  
Ira Leonard, History  
Benjamin Levy, Urban Studies  
Haddon Libby, Placement  
Daniel Ort, English  
Rocco Pannella, Counseling  
Marilyn Peck, Placement  
Dorothy Schrader, Mathematics  
J. Philip Smith, Mathematics  
Robert M. Washburn, Mathematics



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TEL. (203) 397-4000

May 31, 1979

Dr. Manson Van B. Jennings  
President  
Southern Connecticut State College  
New Haven, Connecticut

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Dear Dr. Jennings:

On May 23, 1979, at the request of members of the Vice Presidential selection committee, the Professional Studies Council met to listen to a review of procedures followed by the selection committee for the Vice President of Academic Affairs. There was ample dialogue about this process, (and related events), between the council, the selection committee and the affirmative action officer.

At the conclusion of this meeting, our executive committee requested that I convey to you the deep concerns that exist among the faculty over the process utilized in this selection.

The major concerns are:

1. The "irregular procedure" utilized to select the Vice President of Academic Affairs.
2. The appearance this process has of circumventing a bona-fide established selection procedure.
3. The negative affect this process has had, and is having on the morale of the faculty.

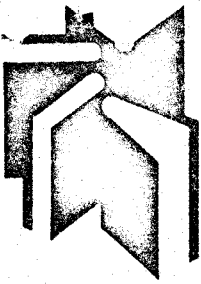
It was the feeling of our council that although the process utilized may have adhered to the "letter of the law," it transgressed the "spirit of the law." There appeared to be unanimous reluctance from the faculty to serve on any similar committees in the future. Our feelings is that such irratic use of presidential priviledge has eroded confidence in the administration, driven deeper the wedge between faculty and the administration, and therefore contributed to a growing unhealthy attitude among faculty on this campus.

Since we all have an investment in the well-being of this institution, and wish to work closer with, and support our administration, we would be pleased to receive your written or verbal response to these concerns.

Sincerely,

Jerry U. Ainsworth  
President  
Professional Studies Council

cc: Professional Studies Council  
Board of Trustees  
Gil Noble



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Office of the  
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June 11, 1979

Dr. Robert Nowlan, Jr.  
Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Southern Connecticut State College  
501 Crescent Street  
New Haven, CT 06515

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is a copy of the Trustees' Resolution appointing you to be the Vice President for Academic Affairs at Southern. Congratulations. I am very pleased that you have accepted this position. From my own experience I know there will be times when you wonder why you ever left the classroom. Despite that I am sure you will find it rewarding.

Cordially,

James A. Frost  
Executive Director

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cc: President Jennings



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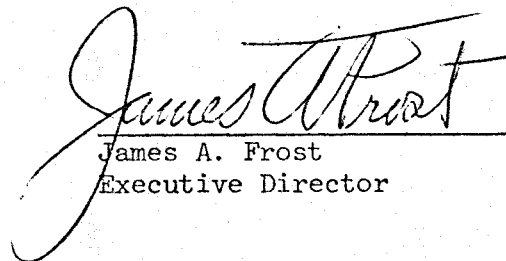
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