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help more if it is used to boost salaries in targeted areas.

Whether anybody will leave or not; it will depend on how the money is distributed." Herrick said.

Large said the money will be targeted and not used to raise salaries across-the-board, but Wessells said the University has not determined how the money will be distributed.

Wessells also said the problem needed to be addressed over the next few biennia to ensure the University is brought up to average levels nationally and stays there.

The state higher education system needs the \$50 million the governor is recommending

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ing staff.

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if the June levy passes. Howev-

er, if the levy does not pass the

board will be forced to make

further cuts in the budget in-

cluding some cuts in the teach-

ishing stages of our contingen-

cy plan, which we're calling

staff by 65 positions. With few-

er teachers class sizes would

increase. Nichols added. She

also said some special pro-

Plan B involves reducing the

plan B," Nichols said.

'We're working on the fin-

and a comparable amount for the 1993-95 biennium, he said

If the Legislature settles for a one-time boost in this year's session, then the University could have trouble recruiting faculty. Wessells said.

The whole University could have the same problem as the law school, where only one out of 10 applicants are successfully recruited, he said.

"If this extended to other departments it would kill us." Wessells said.

At the state level, Large said the \$5 million indicates a willingness by legislators to address the issue, but the problem is far from solved.

"This is not bad news. (but) it doesn't solve the problem in its entirety," Large said. "We're still going to have a very difficult time holding on to faculty members."

grams would be eliminated because of the staff cuts.

Programs that would be cut if staff reductions are necessary would include some of the music classes, classes that serve the needs of talented and gifted students and P.E. classes taught by faculty that specialize in physical education.

Nichols said the district would be returning to "bare bones" education if the levy does not pass in June.

The 4J board will be meeting tonight at 7:30 at the Education Center, 200 N. Monroe St., to adopt a contingency plan.





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