

Interim President Named at Palmer

Editorial Staff

Virgil Strang, DC, has been named interim president of Palmer College of Chiropractic. A search is underway for a permanent replacement for Dr. Donald Kern who is stepping down as president to return to a full-time faculty position. Dr. Strang said he will not be a candidate for the college presidency.

The appointment of Dr. Strang, 51, a practicing chiropractor, the college's dean of philosophy and a Palmer faculty member for more than 40 years, becomes effective July 1, 1994. As interim president, Dr. Strang will continue his teaching responsibilities.

A search committee, comprised of Palmer staff, faculty, alumni and students, will conduct "an open, thorough, and international search" for the person who can effectively guide the college. Michael Crawford, chancellor of the Palmer colleges, estimates the search for a replacement will take 9-12 months.

Mr. Crawford said that Dr. Strang understands the college "inside and out," and is ideally suited "to assure the stability" of the college in the transition. Mr. Crawford characterized Dr. Strang as a doctor committed to the "highest ethical standards of practice" who has enormous respect throughout the profession.

Dr. Strang said he was complimented by the appointment. "To think about all the people who have been helpful to my growth and to follow in their footsteps is humbling, yet also energizing."

Dr. Robert Brooks, president of the PCC International Alumni Assoc., termed the appointment a "great choice" and called Dr. Strang a man of integrity and savvy.

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