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CHARLESTON, IL--John Beusch, Acting Director of Public Service and Development at Eastern Illinois University, will take a seven-month leave of absence to participate in the political campaign of Secretary of State Jim Edgar.

President Daniel E. Marvin, Jr., said he has approved Beusch's request for a leave without pay for the period of April 15-November 15, 1982.

"I am pleased whenever employees of the University have opportunities of this kind, and I am confident that Mr. Beusch's activities over the next few months will contribute much to his administrative experience and value to the institution," said Marvin.

Beusch said he will work out of his home at 2523 Fifth Street in Charleston, with his duties taking him out of town "from time to time."

Marvin said a decision concerning Beusch's replacement during the seven-month period will be made at a later date. He said also that beginning April 15, the office of Public Service and Development will be placed under the supervision of Ken Hesler, Director of University Relations, rather than reporting directly to the President.

"We remain strongly committed to continuing our program of public services to business and industry in the area, and the primary purpose of the program is to ensure that the considerable resources of the University are directed to the benefit of the citizens of East Central Illinois," said Marvin.

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