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INTERCOLLEGIATE FOOTBALL MOVES TO MORRIS

Undaunted by the decision of two big universities -- Marquette and Denver -- to drop football, a small college -- the University of Minnesota,, Morris -- is joining the ranks of intercollegiate football this fall.

UMM will field its first team in Morris on Saturday, October 7 under the guiding hand of Athletic Director and Coach Bruce Rolloff. The opening game will pit the UMM Cougars against the North Dakota State School of Science.

Faced with a myriad of problems in launching intercollegiate football at the one-year-old liberal arts college, Rolloff has already solved the dilemma of scheduling. The UMM freshmen and sophomores have confirmed games with the reserves of Concordia College, Bemidji State College, St. John's University and St. Cloud State College as well as the North Dakota School.

Rolloff's most pressing problem is the search for players this first season. He has put out a call to all prospective footballers to turn out for the initial practice session on Monday, September 18. This will allow just three weeks to get a team together before the first game.

Other difficulties with lighting, uniform and equipment ordering and seating arrangements are rapidly being solved.

A graduate of Gustavus Adolphus College and the University of Minnesota, Rolloff was named athletic director and head football coach at UMM in July. He came to the Morris campus from Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, North Carolina, Where he headed the department of health and physical education.

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The complete football schedule is as follows:

Sat. Oct. 7	- North Dakota State School of Science	<u>Morris</u>	8:00 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 14	- Concordia College Reserves	<u>Morris</u>	8:00 p.m.
Mon. Oct. 23	- Bemidji State College Reserves	<u>Bemidji</u>	7:30 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 27	- St. John's University Reserves	<u>Collegeville</u>	3:00 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 4	- St. Cloud State College Reserves	<u>Morris</u>	8:00 p.m.

DSU will field its first team in Morris on Saturday, October 7 under the guiding hand of Athletic Director and Coach Bruce Rolloff. The opening game will pit the DSU Cougars against the North Dakota State School of Science.

Faced with a myriad of problems in launching intercollegiate football at the one-year-old liberal arts college, Rolloff has already solved the dilemma of scheduling. The DSU System and sponsors have confirmed games with the reserves of Concordia College, Bemidji State College, St. John's University and St. Cloud State College as well as the North Dakota School.

Rolloff's next pressing problem is the search for players this first season. He has put out a call to all prospective footballers to turn out for the initial practice session on Monday, September 18. This will allow just three weeks to get a team together before the first game.

Other difficulties with lighting, uniforms and equipment ordering and seating arrangements are rapidly being solved.

A graduate of Southern Adolphus College and the University of Minnesota, Rolloff was athletic director and head football coach at DSU in July. He came to the Morris campus from Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, North Carolina, where he headed the department of health and physical education.