

NSA Delegate Candidate Statements

Monday and Tuesday students will go to the polls to elect five delegates to represent the University at the National Student Association summer congress in Bloomington, Indiana. Eight candidates are seeking the positions. The Emerald presents here the statements of each candidate.

We hope students will read these statements carefully and cast their ballots for the five candidates who will capably meet the responsibility which they owe to the student mandate which affiliated the ASUO with NSA. The University needs candidate who will provide strong leadership at the national congress and in setting up the local organization next fall. Observers at the summer congress will not be of much benefit to the University. What we need are participants. The Emerald urges students to cast their ballots for qualified candidates.

Hank Courtney

I am opposed to membership of the University of Oregon in NSA. However, since the University has voted to join NSA, I would like to become a delegate to the NSA convention this summer and present my findings to the student body next year for their consideration.

Mike Ellmaker

NSA is our investment. It will be student initiative (exercised through effective participation at regional and national congresses, and through implementation of practicable NSA programs on campus) that will make our membership profitable.

There are two areas which are of particular concern to me in NSA—present institutional aspects of the association (international relations, the southern program, civil liberties, higher education), and those programs and activities designed to materially benefit the campus.

IN ORDER for NSA to be profitable, meaningful on-campus activity and programs of a contributive nature must result out of an effective carry-over from congress to campus. This carry-over is the delegates responsibility. I would meet this responsibility by:

1. Conducting public forums on national and international issues pertinent to our present campus situation (in loco parentis, rising costs of higher education, academic freedom).

2. **MAKING** worthwhile reports to committees under student government jurisdiction (migratory labor committee, higher education committee, Mexico Project).

3. Taking advantage of such available benefits as the NSA Central Filing System, University Press Service, Foreign Student Leadership Fund and NSA publication such as the National Student News.

Right now, my major concern is for the probable number of voters on this issue. When the six delegates return from Indiana, our work will have just begun. It will take a certain amount of effort on our part to make NSA successful—let's begin to accept the responsibilities that lie ahead by voting on May 27. Let's voice our opinions now—1,500,000 other students have!

Mike Gannon

The National Student Association is a forward looking organization; however, I feel NSA must become a forward moving organization in order to achieve its goals. Past NSA Congresses have made resolutions favoring everything from the establishment of a Domestic Peace Corps to higher education for the deaf. These resolutions are adequate for forming NSA's basic policy, but something else must be added to give drive to the organization.

Our delegation must arrive in Indiana with specific programs to propose at the Congress. We must do more than approve resolutions. For instance, rather than approving a resolution which requests the formation of a youth service corps, we should form a youth service corps and seek adequate funds to operate it within the structure of NSA. In order to do this our delegation must be prepared.

ALREADY NSA has supported an experimental program in Minnesota in which college students worked with Indian children on their reservations. College students at Rutgers University have worked to eliminate

the migratory labor problem in New Jersey. Migratory labor, slums, and juvenile delinquency are a few of many problems confronting our nation. As college students we ought to work together in a national body to seek solutions to these problems.

AS CHAIRMAN for the ASUO Migratory Labor Committee, I have done research on the agricultural migrant problems. I would like to propose a program of student activity to aid migratory laborers. Even though such a program may not be adopted at the NSA Congress, I will work to get some program established in which students can fight successfully against poverty, illiteracy, and inequality.

To me NSA should mean concrete programs similar to the one sponsored by the University of Minnesota on an Indian reservation. With student support the ASUO Migratory Labor Committee has made encouraging progress this year. Yet we must realize that this is just one committee on only one campus trying to fight a national problem. In order to succeed we must become a national group of college students working together to achieve our goals.

I would like to represent the University of Oregon at the National Student Congress so that I might persuade others to join with us to combat social problems. I believe that through NSA and I believe we can make progress and reach these goals.

Howard Liebreich

NSA at Oregon is doomed unless intelligent voters elect students interested and qualified in both representing them at the National Congress and in structuring NSA on our campus.

It is imperative that students who are willing to work for the student body be elected, not merely students interested in finding out what NSA will do for us. It is important to remember that NSA does not do anything for us, but that we derive benefits by working through NSA.

TWO WEEKS AGO at the Regional Congress in Seattle, I was elected to a vice-presidential position as Regional Education Chairman. So far I have received requests from three sources to do work in the area of education in the Northwest.

Through work on the Higher Education Committee in research I have gained an insight into the problems of education and the vast space which must be filled.

I feel being elected to represent Oregon will enable me to work more efficiently with the region and on campus to promote educational research and application of education in needed areas. It will also enable me to gain ideas of the problems and programs of other NSA member schools throughout the country.

PROBABLY THE most important problem facing NSA here is organizing and structuring it pragmatically. I believe NSA should be divided into four areas—national affairs, international affairs, educational affairs, educational travel.

Through these areas programs should be coordinated with IEC, the Migratory Labor, Mexico Project, Higher Education and Civil Rights Committees, People to People and other programs already established.

It should be the purpose of the NSA committee to bring to this campus new ideas and programs, to educate and interest the students in these programs through the classroom, majors and special interests, and to represent the opinion of the students of the University of Oregon whenever possible.

Pam Pashkowski

We, as students, have the undeniable responsibility to constantly seek understanding of the world around us. No outside pressure can force an individual to see relationships among the facts and concepts he learns in class and observations he makes of his experiences. However, I believe that an enthusiastic atmosphere of investigation of all facets of life is contagious and can motivate a student toward becoming "an attentive and systematic observer."

THE UNIVERSITY of Oregon has begun to develop an atmosphere conducive to learning, and I think our association with USNSA will help us continue in this direction. The formal proceedings of the Congress and the informal associations with other students will give our entire delegation new techniques for stimulating student interest in national and international affairs.

I HAVE ASKED you to select me as one of your NSA delegates because I would like to learn from and evaluate the National Student Congress this summer and contribute to the formation of an effective NSA organization on our campus. I am especially concerned with increasing meaningful relationships with our ex-

change students, evaluating our class service honoraries, and promoting the exchange of ideas among U of O students.

The fact that I am interested in the three areas emphasized above and that we now belong to NSA will not produce miracles. The benefits you receive from NSA clearly depend upon the capabilities and determination of your delegates. If you think that my attitude toward NSA and the University of Oregon can accomplish something for you as a student, I ask for your vote.

Jerry Rust

NSA is on trial. There are two obligations to be met. First we must throw our wholehearted support behind NSA; install programs and set up committees. At the same time we must ask questions and seek to answer them. Why have so many schools dropped out of NSA?

Why can't we get the same benefits from our present structure of student government? Why is it necessary to take a stand on national and international issues? I believe we must look at NSA and make an evaluation of it. More than anything I want to find out the truth about NSA. As I have said before I am optimistic. I would suggest that an exchange of ideas between campuses, and a greater student awareness are the two things NSA has to offer.

I offer these programs as suggestions of what NSA can do for us:

1.) Fine art exchanges between universities of the Northwest.

2.) **A STUDENT** tutoring program

3.) Put national issues (such as HUAC) on the general election ballots so our NSA delegates can better represent student opinion, and also to stimulate student awareness.

4.) Investigate such things as Indian reservation conditions and education of children of migratory workers.

5.) Set up the low-cost European tour program available under NSA.

Judie Scrivner

The University of Oregon has already become a member of United States National Student Association. I believe the problem we are confronted with now is informing the students as to the policies and philosophy of the organization, thus making them more aware of the importance of NSA on the local, national, and international level.

Recently, many students have asked "Just exactly what can NSA do for me? My answer is this: NSA can accomplish many things only if you are interested enough to contribute your ideas—whether you are necessarily for the organization or not; for NSA has to represent student opinions on our campus if it is to survive.

THE ISSUE I am extremely concerned with is the problem of in loco parentis. I believe that if a student is to develop his talents to the greatest extent, he must not be hindered or stifled in any way by a parental administration.

Responsibility and freedom of choice must not be removed from the student or immaturity and disinterest will be reinforced. To increase the critical talents of the student, I would like to organize an open forum through NSA. Right now we have a free speech platform which is infrequently used.

MY PLAN would be to schedule a time for free speeches, have it advertised, and allow anyone to speak, whether they differ from us politically, culturally, religiously, or racially; for a student can not make accurate judgments unless he is able to decipher for himself on controversial issues.

I urge you to vote on Monday, May 27, to give me your support and vote remember **JUDIE SCRIVNER FOR NSA DELEGATE!**

Warren Wotton

I am skeptical of the N.S.A. and I want to be a delegate to the convention this summer to see if N.S.A. can do anything positive for Oregon. Concerning N.S.A. I'm from Missouri, and they've got to SHOW ME!