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Faculty Splits Over Search For President

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There seems to be some division among faculty members on the issue of selecting a new University President, and who in the faculty should do the choosing.

Efforts on the part of two distinct groups of faculty members to place certain candidates on the Presidential Search Committee has resulted in a division of three "liberals," four "conservatives" and one "moderate" on the committee, according to an informed source.

Though the members of the committee have been picked, State Chancellor Roy Lieuallen is not expected to announce them until Tuesday or Wednesday.

A letter circulated two weeks ago by sociology professor Robert Dubin requested the faculty to make its nominations for the Search Committee from a list of 12 names. The letter read:

"You have just received a ballot for nominating a group of five members of the faculty to a Presidential Search Committee.

"This is obviously a critical committee, for the destiny of the University may rest on the wisdom of the recommendations made to the chancellor by the Search Committee.

"A group of faculty concerned with strengthening the intellectual purposes of our University believes that a search committee composed of five members selected from the following list will represent the best interests of the University and all staff members like yourself.

"We hope you will give serious thought to making your nominations from your colleagues listed below."

The letter listed the following people: Gustave Alef, history; Virgil Boekelheide, chemistry; Chapin Clark, law; Melvin Cohen, biology; Russell Donnelly, physics; Stanley Green-

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'V' IS FOR VICTORY

And in this case, for Vigil and equal Voice, too

An Open Letter

Students Insist Equality On Search Group 'Vital'

Editor's note: The following is an open letter to Chancellor Roy Lieuallen demanding equal representation on the Presidential Search Committee. Signatures for the letter are still being collected. Those who have signed it already include ASUO presidential candidate Dick Jones, ex-candidate Phil Barnhart, vice-presidential candidates Dan Allison and Tom Fagan, and Emerald Editor Mike Fancher.

The Associated Students of the University of Oregon have stated their demand for equal representation on the State Board of Higher Education's committee to search for a new president for the University of Oregon. The vigil in progress before Johnson Hall is a manifestation of their desire to have this request given full and complete attention and to obtain substantial representation.

The President of the Univer-

sity of Oregon spends almost all his time dealing with problems and issues which directly affect the lives of students. The president sets the tone and mood of the University. The allocation of funds, regulation of conduct and emphasis and direction of curriculum are the means by which the President influences the student. With the students' growing awareness and activity in each of these areas it is vital that students be involved in the choice of the man who will direct the University community in the future.

The proposition that students be given two members on a search committee of 12 to 14 members is untenable. Over 90 per cent of the University community is comprised of students. In keeping with the tradition of student-faculty cooperation a search committee should contain equal number of students and faculty. If there are to be 10 to 12 faculty members, staff,

alumni and board members on a search committee, there should be 10 to 12 student members. A representation of two is tokenism.

The students of the University of Oregon call upon the Chancellor to reconsider the number of students to be appointed to the Presidential Search Committee. We call upon the Chancellor to withstand the pressures brought to bear by persons outside the University who do not know or understand the University and its needs and who often do not have a lasting interest in the educational process. We call upon the Chancellor to consider the interests and perspectives which students can bring to bear in this committee. We stand ready to devote time and energy as well as concern and interest to the working of the committee toward the selection of the new president. Finally we call upon

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Chancellor, Farleigh Meet This Morning

By LINDA MEIERJURGEN
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This morning Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education Roy Lieuallen will meet with ASUO President Scott Farleigh to discuss the number of students on the Presidential Search Committee.

Sunday night concerned students staged a sleep-in vigil in front of Johnson Hall to emphasize the importance of having equal student representation on the committee.

The Presidential Search Committee will recommend the State Board to fill the position of president. It is only a recommending body, as the board has final decision on who will be the next University president.

Those who slept on the steps and lawn in front of Johnson in 32-degree weather wanted to insure that students would have equal representation of any such committee.

The exact size of the committee and the number of students to be placed on it has not been released. Most people at the vigil felt the number of students on the committee would be two.

A letter expressing the opinion of all who participated was

circulated throughout the evening. It was an open letter addressed to Chancellor Lieuallen.

"... if there are to be 10 or 12 faculty, staff, alumni and board members on a search committee, there should be 10 to 12 student members," the letter said.

"The proposition that students be given two members on a search committee of 12 to 14 members is untenable. Over 90 per cent of the University community is comprised of students," it continued.

This morning Lieuallen and Farleigh will discuss the number of students to be put on the search committee.

The University faculty has submitted a list of 15 names of faculty members to the chancellor. Farleigh has a list of 15 student names. Neither list will be approved until it is decided how many students will be placed on the committee.

Tom Fagan, one of the organizers of the vigil, said three representatives are not enough, because many segments of the University would not be represented.

"Diverse interested must be represented, the Black students, the off-campus students and the rest," he said.

Fagan said, "The demonstration was held to demonstrate to the chancellor that students are interested in who will be their new president, interested in their education."

The State Board of Higher Education will discuss student representation on the committee at its next meeting May 1, in Eugene.

Barnhart Quits ASUO Race, Fagan Still In

Phil Barnhart has withdrawn from the race for the ASUO presidency. Barnhart listed personal reasons for his withdrawal.

According to ASUO vice-president Mike Donahue, Barnhart's running mate Tom Fagan cannot run for the presidency because he received no write-in votes in the primary elections last Wednesday.

But Fagan said he will automatically become president if the Barnhart-Fagan ticket wins.

Their names will remain on the ballots, which have already been printed.

"If we win, Barnhart will simply resign, and that will move me up to the presidency," Fagan said.

Barnhart released a statement why he isn't running. It reads as follows:

"The last weeks have been a period of doubt and uncertainty for me. When I entered the race for ASUO president I expected then to attend the University of Oregon Law School.

"However, because of changes in my own attitudes and desires, I will not be attending the University of Oregon next year. Therefore, in honesty to myself and the student body, I am withdrawing my name as a candidate for ASUO president. I fully endorse my ex-vice-presidential candidate, Tom Fagan, for ASUO president."

Farleigh Calls for Addition Of Blacks in ASUO Senate

By MIKE FANCHER
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ASUO President Scott Farleigh has called for the immediate addition of two members of the Black Students Union (BSU) to the ASUO Senate.

In a release Friday, Farleigh said, "I believe student government is confronting a grave crisis of unresponsiveness, misrepresentation, and irrelevancy.

"Steps must be taken," he said, "to make the ASUO, and specifically the ASUO Senate, more directly representative of the active student cross-section of the campus."

Implementation of the ASUO president's recommendation would necessitate the Senate's amending its by-laws.

At present there are 35 voting members of the ASUO Senate. The membership apportionment is as follows:

One representative from each class, including a representative of the graduate school.

One representative each from upper class men's and women's dormitories,

and one representative each from freshman men's and women's dorms.

One representative each from fraternities and sororities and one each from men's and women's co-ops.

One male and one female off-campus representative, and one off-campus married student representative.

One representative from the international students.

And 18 members elected at large.

Farleigh listed campus discrimination, job opportunities, housing discrimination and lack of financial aids as major concerns which student government must face.

"These problems relate directly to the minority groups on campus and will be solved only with the assistance of the Black Student Union," he said.

BSU President Johnny Holloway met Farleigh's recommendation with mixed emotions. He said that if the proposal was made in response to recent BSU demands concerning reorganization of the ASUO, "then Farleigh doesn't under-

stand what we mean by reorganization of student government."

Specifically Holloway made two points concerning the recommendation:

That having two Black students in the government doesn't make a government representative and the ASUO still might not be responsive.

And that while two Black representatives would be some help to Black students it wouldn't help solve the problems of all students on campus.

On the second point Holloway added that a lack of student involvement in the government is shown by low voter turnout in ASUO elections.

He suggested that an item could be placed on Wednesday's election ballot asking students if they thought student government should be reorganized.

"If students feel the sense of a change, something new, they'll become more involved," Holloway said. In this way he hoped students could bring forth new ideas for making student government more representative and responsive to all the students.

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