

Is Ron in or out?

Faculty postpones Eachus issue

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The Faculty Senate decided Wednesday to hold off on making any judgement about the eligibility of ASUO President Ron Eachus to remain in office.

The body postponed action expressing reluctance to take any stand until after the Student Administrative Board (SAB) had acted on the case. (See story page 1.)

The senate made its decision after discussing a proposed resolution which stated faculty members felt Eachus should be allowed to remain in office.

The resolution, proposed for presentation to the general faculty at its next meeting, was part of a report prepared by a senate ad hoc committee set up to study the Eachus question.

The committee's resolution stated that the faculty concurred with the University administration's action Jan. 13 which suspended an earlier ruling that Eachus was ineligible for office.

Referring to an inconsistency in ASUO and faculty requirements for student office holders, the resolution stated that "the faculty believes that a reasonable doubt exists concerning which of two sets of regulations currently govern standards of eligibility for ASUO executive officers."

The resolution, based on the committee's report, said that it appeared Eachus had complied with ASUO standards and therefore should be allowed to remain in office.

The report was prepared by Committee chairman James Tattersall, economics professor, Clyde Patton, geography professor, and Edwin Bingham, history professor.

University President Robert Clark requested at the January general faculty meeting that the faculty advise him on the appropriateness of his action in the case.

However, the senate postponed action agreeing with Orlando Hollis, law professor, who said he felt Faculty-Senate action might have an effect on SAB proceedings.

Also at the meeting, the senate voted to sponsor a motion to set up a faculty committee to develop procedures for identifying students of high scholastic achievement.

Difficulties arose in identifying such students when the grade point average was abolished by the faculty last spring.

Donald Rhoades, associate dean of student administrative services representing the Academic Requirements Committee, brought the problem to the attention of the senate earlier this year. He said the committee needed some standards if students were to be recognized at commencement and to help honorary societies in selecting new members.

Kenneth Ghent, sub-committee chairman, reported that the committee's study had shown that those who originally proposed abolishing the GPA had not intended to end recognition for academic achievement.

Demonstrators protest ROTC, University war involvement

By JOHN LANIER
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About 75 persons, an impromptu band, several floats and a big round pumpkin held a demonstration and march against the University's ROTC program Wednesday afternoon.

The march was organized by University students concerned about the continuing and expanding war in Indochina, and about this institution's support of that war through ROTC.

It began with a noon rally on the EMU terrace, which was a prelude to a lively march to the ROTC facilities at 18th and Alder Streets.

In its aftermath was raised the possibility of charges being brought in student court or through Eugene police against a few of the individuals involved, particularly those who allegedly broke the big round pumpkin open and spilled a very small portion of its contents on a rug in ROTC's main lobby area.

Student Conduct coordinator Donald McCarty told the Emerald Wednesday that charges may be brought against students involved in the demonstration, but added that "We won't know for quite a while."

"The only destruction at this point seems to be breaking a pumpkin in the building—which

isn't really standard procedure," McCarty said.

"We will have to decide whether that falls under the provisions of the Code," he added, "whether it is specific enough to proceed on."

McCarty also said the "department head" of Army ROTC, Col. Elbert Curtis, "can complain to me, and can also take matters in his own hands if a non-student is involved."

Curtis told the Emerald: "I don't know yet what I'm going to do."

After the rally about 75 persons marched to the Army ROTC main building on Alder Street, bringing along with them anti-ROTC signs, flags, and several shopping cart "floats."

During the twenty minutes the demonstrators were in the building they were photographed by numerous individuals, including Army Maj. James McDaniel and several private individuals, all of whom claimed they were taking the pictures for their own use.

But, McDaniel added, the photos could also be used to

identify demonstrators if the need were to arise.

According to conduct coordinator McCarty, none of the photographers had been hired by his office, which is authorized by the University to hire photographers to take pictures of disruptive activities on campus.

During the demonstration special assistant to the president Gerald Bogen, observing the events, told the Emerald that the demonstrators had not been asked to leave the area by any representative of the University.

Bogen said that there were two classes taking place on the third floor of the building, but that "the activities of those classes does not appear to have been disrupted."

"After checking with the instructors," McCarty concluded, "there was no disruption of classes."

Army Major Kenneth Date, teaching one of the classes in the building, reported that "I was not disrupted" and that the other class "was not disrupted in any way."

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