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Hitchhikers aren't uncommon, especially at this place near the Eugene exit on interstate 5. For an in-depth look at alternative transportation groups and proposals in the Eugene area, see pages 6 and 7. Photo by James Link

## Three persons turn out for conduct code hearing

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Of the Emerald

Two students and one faculty member showed up for an open hearing of the Student Conduct Committee which was held for the purpose of receiving input and comments on the proposed University Code of Conduct, Tuesday evening.

The meeting was the last opportunity for interested members of the University community to offer any opinions or make changes in the proposed code before it goes before the Faculty Senate either next Monday or April 26.

The University Code of Conduct, formerly known as the Community Code, would basically expand the present Student Conduct system to include faculty members in its jurisdiction.

Steve Barnes, a doctoral student in higher education, offered his support of the code and a few wording changes which the committee could not consider at that time for inclusion in the code because a quorum was not present. These proposals will be considered later in the week by the committee.

There have been two previous open hearings held in addition to the one held Tuesday evening. According to Donald McCarty, coordinator of the

Student Conduct office, the open hearings accomplish a great deal because they enable the Student Conduct Committee to get input from outside the committee.

The code is divided into two sections. Section one concerns the policies of the University Code and section two concerns the administration of the code.

The code sees the University as a single community which "brings its members together in a two-fold relationship: academic and civic."

It goes on to say, "While role differentiation in the academic relationship may require role-related difference in treatment, the equality of the civic relationship calls for uniform policy in regulating standards of behavior for all members of the University community, regardless of role or status."

There are several major differences between the present Student Conduct Code and the University Code, besides the extension of the code to include faculty members.

These include definitions of cheating and plagiarism which closely follow some proposed by the Academic Standards Committee, a regulation on discrimination, and a stipulation which would leave notification of parents to the discretion of the court in cases of disciplinary probation, suspension or expulsion.



Donald McCarty

## Faculty forum slated Saturday

An opportunity for faculty members to get together and discuss the Hearing Panel on University Priorities (HPUP) recommendations has been scheduled for this weekend.

According to representatives of the University chapter of American Association of University Professors (AAUP), they, the University American Federation of Teachers (AFT) chapter and possibly the local Oregon State Employees Association (OSEA) will sponsor the forum to be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in 150 Science. All faculty members are invited to attend.

Questions that will be discussed at the meeting are:

—Is HPUP usurping the right of faculty members to make curriculum decisions?

—What avenues are open to faculty to influence future University development?

## Coleman asks for minority Task Force director

A member of the Affirmative Action Task Force has threatened to resign from the committee if it recommends that a White woman be appointed as interim director of the Office of Affirmative Action.

Ed Coleman, assistant professor of English, told the six-member committee Tuesday:

"There is diverse opinion on the part of the committee as to who will hold this job. I question the philosophy and motives being expressed by committee members. I am very much concerned about the position.

"My views are very strong, and I strongly feel that this position is going to go to a White woman, and if this happens, I will remove myself from the committee."

The committee, which is made up of three faculty members, one classified staff member, one administrator and one student, has been charged by University President Robert Clark with finding an interim director for the Affirmative Action Office.

(Formation of the office stemmed from an Affirmative Action Program submitted to the federal government last Oct. 15 in response to government charges that the University is sexist and racist.)

The committee met for an hour Tuesday afternoon in the Johnson Hall conference room, and came up with 19 names of persons to be considered for the interim director post.

An interim director would serve until September to review the recommendations made by the Hearing Panel on University Priorities last month, and to review all hiring done by the University until that time.

Clark has appointed the committee as a continuing body to select the permanent director of the Affirmative Action Office.

The committee has been meeting on Tuesdays to select an interim director, without public solicitation. The committee will solicit candidates publicly for a permanent one. Committee members agreed Tuesday that they ought to be able to recommend a person for the interim

directorship by Tuesday, April 18.

HPUP has recommended that the affirmative action office be set up with an annual budget of \$24,500 to \$32,500.

At Tuesday's meeting, discussion centered on the kind of person to recommend for the interim directorship. Barbara Aldave, chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Committee, and a committee member, said that it would be difficult to find a "minority woman" for the interim directorship, because applicants were being sought primarily within the University community.

Coleman then made his remarks about his possible resignation from the committee.

Jeanette Silvera, member of the Status of Women committee, told the group that a "minority woman" candidate would have trouble understanding the needs of both minorities and women.

Coleman answered, "she would be closer to what we are looking for than anyone else."

Committee chairman Richard Littman

suggested that Coleman prepare a position paper for discussion at next Tuesday's meeting.

Littman said, "It may turn out that one person (for the interim directorship) may not be sufficient."

Ms. Silvera proposed an "advisory board" to the Affirmative Action Office. "It would be a board and the members would be from all affected groups on campus. It might be a way of dealing with constituencies."

Committee members were to distribute position applications this week to the 19 persons being considered for the interim directorship. Under procedure, they agreed to review applications and hold interviews with the most likely candidates for the job.

Tuesday's meeting was the first for the committee's classified staff appointee, Velma Mullaley. Ms. Mullaley was appointed to the committee early this week by Clark.