

FSO asks ASUO to free budget

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The Foreign Student Organization (FSO) executive board approved a recommendation Friday that a letter be sent to the ASUO requesting the thawing of the frozen FSO budget.

The recommendation came as the FSO board attempted to reorganize the FSO after its budget was frozen when its presidential elections were declared invalid in October.

In other fiscal action, the board requested FSO executive secretary Arshad Pirani to determine the amount of salary former FSO President Davoudi and former FSO Vice President Abid Sheriff were entitled to before the budget was frozen and how much each received. According to ASUO figures \$391 was drawn for salaries from the budget allocation of \$1200.

On a motion by Esawey Amashe, the FSO board gave its approval for the discontinuance of its long distance billing number. Amashe felt a person with FSO business to conduct could use his own personal phone and then ask the FSO for compensation.

Amashe's motion came as the result of ASUO budget figures which showed that by Nov. 31, the FSO had exceeded its annual budget of \$200 for telephone and telegraph by \$212.

Before beginning deliberations on a proposed new constitution, chairer Ranjan Ray said the present FSO constitution could not be amended "into shape" because there were too many "internal contradictions."

Ray also suggested the board approve a new constitution by more than a simple majority from its twelve members because FSO members would probably approve whatever the board suggested.

After further discussion the board approved a motion by Amashe that approval of three-fourths of the board members be required for approval.

The only major issue board members debated vigorously was whether to allow students with immigrant visas to participate in the FSO. Ray believed those with immigrant visas should be allowed to participate. He said the Indian student organization would not have been able to conduct its cultural program in the fall without the help of the immigrant students.

Amashe felt the immigrant student was "under different pressures." He said they did not have to worry about applying for a new visa each year, and that they did not have to pay non-resident tuition.

The board approved with no objections a motion to include immigrant student in FSO.

The executive board will meet again at 3:30 p.m. Friday.

Postcard campaign planned

This week students and faculty will have the opportunity to voice their feelings on the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Student feminists will staff a table on the third floor of the EMU every day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Oregon State Legislature is

considering ratification of the amendment.

The ASUO will provide stamped postcards and a list of names and addresses of state legislators and will mail them also.

To find out what stage the amendment has reached in either house, anyone may dial 1-800-452-0290 (Salem) free of charge.

If the amendment is ratified by two-thirds of the states, the Constitution of the United States will "prohibit denial of equality of rights under law by United States or any state on account of sex."

Paige Jackson, ASUO administrative assistant at the University, gave a graphic example of the kind of situation that passage of the amendment would affect.

"In the area of Civil Service, a male classified as 'laborer 1' is not required to have any education, skills or experience. The only requirement is good health. His salary is \$506 a month.

"For a 'secretary 2,' the roughly corresponding position for women, the requirements are at least a high school education, a typing speed of 60 wpm and a knowledge of shorthand and filing. Her salary is \$370 a month.

"This example shows quite a discrepancy that would be alleviated by the amendment."

Peace Week

Mayor Les Anderson has proclaimed the week of Jan. 20-Jan. 26 to be Peace Week in Eugene. The Mayor, in his proclamation, urged "each citizen in our community to participate in activities that will strengthen his understanding of peace and express his preference for solving international problems through methods other than armed conflict."

A number of local organizations have planned public events during the week, including films, dinners, and speakers.

Students arrested

Three University students were arrested Friday night in two unrelated incidents.

Charged with theft by receiving and being held on \$750 bail was Charles Idel Sloan of 1834 Potter. Sloan was arrested Friday evening at his residence by Eugene Police detectives in connection with an armed robbery that took place near campus Thursday night.

Police went to Sloan's residence after they received information that somebody connected with the previous evening's robbery could be found there. Sloan was charged with possessing a stolen television set.

Douglas James Lodato and William Logan Bennett, both of Douglas-Walton Complex, were both free on bail Sunday after being arrested on the downtown mall Friday afternoon. Lodato was charged with minor in possession of alcohol and drinking on an unlicensed premises. Logan was also charged with M.I.P. and furnishing liquor to a minor, criminal activity in drugs and second degree theft.

Measures introduced in Salem

Descriptions of several measures introduced in the legislature last week of particular interest to students and the status of similar previously introduced legislation are listed below:

— HJR 6 would require receptacles for recycling newspapers be made available to legislators. The resolution was read the first time Thursday and referred to the House Rules Committee Friday.

— HJR 7 would amend the Oregon Constitution, upon voter approval at the next primary election, to permit state highway revenue to be used for mass transit. The resolution was read for the first time Friday.

— SB 103 would prohibit obscene live public shows, motion pictures, photographs, books, recordings and other items from being prepared, sold or otherwise distributed. The bill was read the first time Friday.

— SB 47 would amend the controversial "Newbury Amendment" of the 1971 legislative session regarding student incidental fees. The bill was referred to the Senate Education Committee and a hearing has been set for Wednesday, 1 p.m., room 315 of the Capitol.

— SB 27 which would lower the age of majority to 18 is still in the Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee and no hearing date has been set.

— SB 100 which would involve the state in land-use planning is still in the Senate Environment and Land Use committee. One hearing on the bill was held last Thursday.

— SJR 4 which would ratify the Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is still in the Senate Judiciary Committee. A hearing on the bill will be held today at 1 p.m. in room 20 of the Capitol.

— HB 2079 which would raise the state minimum wage from \$1.25 to \$1.60 and would include agricultural labor was referred to the House Labor and Industrial Relations Committee. No hearing date has been set.

— HB 2019 which would require perishable foods to be labeled with a date, after which the food would be considered unfit for consumption is still in the House Consumer and Business Affairs Committee. No hearing date has been set.

HB 5093 which appropriates money for the Higher Education budget is still in the Ways and Means committee. No hearing date has been set.

— HJR 2 which would ratify the Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is still in the House State and Federal Affairs Committee. One hearing was held last Wednesday, with possible subsequent hearings to be scheduled.

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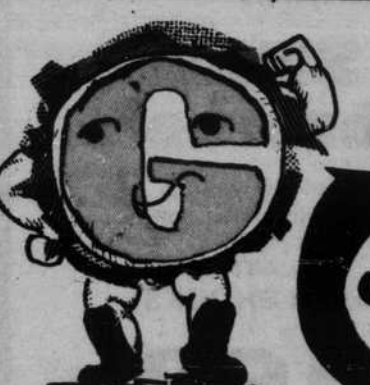
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