

Senate battle over Loveys impeachment continues

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The Executive-Senate battle over the impeachment of ASUO Vice President Fred Loveys continued Wednesday with the issuance of a statement by three ASUO senators regarding procedural ruling by ASUO Senate President Cliff Zukin.

Zukin's ruling stated that a 4-2 vote for the impeachment in the ASUO Governing Committee meeting Monday night was a tie by the two-thirds majority rule.

The statement, issued by Larry Laylor, Gene Pronovost and Hank Itkin, all of the Governing Committee, claimed that the 4-2 vote constituted a two-thirds majority and the impeachment was valid.

"With the concurrence of Orlando Hollis, professor of law, Herb Titus, professor of law and Frank Roberts, parliamentarian for the Oregon House of Representatives, it is the opinion of this committee that the requirements given in the . . . ASUO by-laws have been met, that ASUO Vice President has been duly impeached, and that Loveys must stand trial on the impeachment

charges as prescribed in the ASUO Constitution," the statement read.

They added that there was basolutely "no precedent" for Zukin's ruling.

"We take Zukin's actions to be part of a political power maneuver designed to retain power for himself and his several associates in the ASUO government," the three senators said.

The plot thickened when Committee Chairer Gordon King read a memorandum from Zukin to the governing committee. Zukin's memorandum accused the governing committee of "not observing ASUO Senate rules of procedure and attempting to usurp power."

According to the memorandum, all bills must be submitted to the Senate President who will assign them to a committee for consideration, and the impeachment bill had not gone through his office.

Zukin added that while other bills passed by Governing Monday night were also improper he would place the ones dealing with the election rules would be placed on the agenda for Thursday's senate meeting because "it would be a disservice to the students to keep them off."

Aimed at those abusing process

Food stamp center proposes crackdown

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The Lane County Food Stamp Center's proposed "crackdown" on persons abusing the certification process is not aimed at cutting students out of the program, according to County public welfare administrator David Kuhns.

Kuhns said Wednesday that students form a minority of the persons applying for food stamps. In addition, he said, "Very few students have 'zero income' (less than \$20 a month)." Kuhns said there has been an abnormal increase in the number of persons declaring zero income in the last few months.

Kuhns said the group of persons he is the most concerned about are the zero income applicants. "These people aren't students, and they have no income at all. You can't live with no income at all. They should be receiving welfare if they don't have any income." Welfare recipients are automatically certified to receive food stamps.

Many students list income that comes from loans or grants, Kuhns said. "For example, if a student gets a grant to pay his tuition for the term, we would divide that amount by three to determine his income per month for that term."

The Center is initiating some new methods of checking up on food stamp

recipients, starting this month. A welfare worker will begin making random visits to homes of persons applying for food stamps to check on applicants' living situations and income level.

The Center will also start mailing the cards which authorize food stamp purchases instead of handing them out at the Center, in an attempt to cut down on fictitious addresses.

Because of the increase of the last few months, the Center is no longer accepting applicants on a walk-in basis. Certification will now be through appointment only. Kuhns said appointments are now booked solid through March.

Fiscal committee continues review

Women's Recreational Association (WRA) representative Karla Rice presented a program review at the Tuesday night meeting of the ASUO Fiscal Affairs Committee.

WRA's presentation is one in a series of program reviews intended to aid the Fiscal committee in arriving at budget recommendations during the upcoming budget hearings.

Rice told committee members that WRA provided individual and group athletic activities and that "increasing numbers of people are enjoying these activities."

Club Sports Program Director Gary Bartlett then informed committee members that his program provided competitive and recreational activities for a large number of students. He urged them to "take time to find out about club sports" offered at the university. CSP is "open to all students, staff, and faculty," he said, and that "this is the way major collegiate athletics is headed."

In other business Outdoor Program representative Bruce Mason gave a brief rundown of the many opportunities for "wilderness pursuits" offered by the Outdoor Program. He mentioned that the program is welcome to everyone — students and nonstudents of all ages. The Outdoor Program depends on volunteers, he said, and is strictly non-competitive.

Further program reviews are scheduled for next week.

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Migrant Labor Project faces budget changes

Among other problems that will come before the ASUO Senate today is a change in the budget for the Migrant Labor Project (MLP), an ASUO program whose budget was recently frozen by the ASUO executive.

The change in the budget the Senate may consider today concerns reordering of line items, or allocating the budget to different areas than it was originally planned for, since MLP has overspent some areas of its budget and underspent others.

MLP would like to put their remaining

budget, estimated at \$1800, into salaries for its staff and into support for the lettuce boycott. Presently the money is allocated to other areas in the MLP budget.

ASUO Vice President Fred Loveys said Tuesday that the reordering of line items should be "no big deal," since it has been done several times in the past.

The real question concerning the MLP is its frozen budget. The ASUO executive froze the budget on Jan. 18, "officially because there was no director of the program to be accountable for spending the monies," Loveys said.

Unofficially Loveys said the budget was frozen because Chicano groups had come to him and requested a review of the usefulness of the MLP as an ASUO program. Loveys said he would recommend that "we do not unfreeze the budget until we have had a discussion with Chicano leaders, Mecha people, and the Chicano taskforce as to what the future of MLP is on this campus."

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