

Centennial costs estimated

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The estimated cost of four projects that will constitute "Stage One" of the University's Centennial celebration is \$2.6 million, according to Carl Fisher, director of the Development Fund.

He said that the Centennial Needs and Priorities Committee decided to use "Stage One" as a prelude to the projects that will commemorate the University's 100th anniversary in 1976.

The committee, which is responsible for planning the events, feels that a pre-centennial celebration will help to make the needs of the University known to friends and alumni.

The committee plans to raise \$1 million for an addition to the Art Museum. Fisher commented that this project is necessary because the Art Museum "is the only such facility between Portland and San Francisco," and, he added that it is a cultural asset to both the campus and the community.

A project to provide more professorships will call for \$750,000 in donations. The committee has not yet designated to which departments the professorships will be given.

"This project is absolutely necessary if this institution is to maintain the excellence it has already established," Fisher said.

The committee will allot \$250,000 for fellowships, scholarships and lectureships, especially in support of graduate studies.

"Stage One" will also include restoration of

Hayward Field track facilities, on which the committee plans to spend \$600,000. The Oregon Track Club will assist the committee soliciting funds for this project.

Restoration plans must be presented to the State Board of Higher Education for approval, Fisher said.

The Hayward Field project had originally been scheduled for the celebration in 1976, but what University President Robert Clark called "a pressing need for improvements in the facilities" prompted the committee to include it in "Stage One."

The enlisting of donors for Centennial projects is called "friend-raising" according to Fisher. He said the committee will seek support from corporations and businesses, as well as from private individuals.

Most oppose 18-year-old legislators

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Rumor had it that when the members of the House Rules Committee sat down last Wednesday to hear testimony on legislation (HJR 14) which would allow 18-year-olds to run for the legislature, a majority of the legislators supported sending the measure to the House floor.

When they left the large hearing room an hour later, it appeared that the majority had swung in the opposite direction.

Only four persons appeared to testify in room 20 which holds over 200 persons and one committee member exploded with anger during some of the testimony.

Analysis

University senior David Sonnenfeld evoked the strongest reaction from the legislators. He told the committee that the voters of a district should have the privilege of choosing any person old enough to vote to represent them in the legislature.

But, he continued, there is a bias within the populace against young persons "and 18-year-old candidates would have to work their butts off to be elected."

He added, "A young person would have to be doubly qualified to win."

But, Sonnenfeld told the members, 18, 19 and 20 year olds have knowledge about issues such as drugs that older legislators don't have.

He said that more young persons didn't appear to testify "because they have no reason to be up here — they have no power."

Rep. Bud Byers (D-Lebanon) angrily retorted that he strongly resented the statement "that you have no representation up here. And this is from someone who has gone to bat for 18-year-olds."

He called Sonnenfeld's remarks "very, very cruel." He said that persons serving in the legislature "are here to represent everyone."

Rep. Grace Peck (D-Portland) seemed to share some of Byers' feeling when she told Sonnenfeld that she was "going to give you some advice."

"I have worked my butt off up here too," she replied, obviously misinterpreting Sonnenfeld's statement.

"Young people are sabotaging their future by giving away their youth too soon," Peck continued.

"And if you expect to get this through, don't start in by knocking the older people," added Peck, who once indicated she would support sending the measure to the House floor.

She told Sonnenfeld to instead "talk about what you can do."

Sonnenfeld, in an effort to clarify his original statement, said that he felt young persons would more readily identify with other young persons in the legislature and that they would find communicating with young legislators easier.

But, he added, he did not mean to imply that young persons have

no representation in the legislature now.

Committee members, it appeared, still remained defensive after Sonnenfeld's clarifying remarks.

"Don't knock older people — they might be doing a hell of a lot more for you than you are aware of," Rep. Sid Bazett (R-Grants Pass) told Sonnenfeld.

Two other persons who testified, Bruce Barwick and Chris Clark, both 19-year-old University freshmen, told the committee that they felt it is illogical to allow 18-year-olds to

vote, but not to run for the legislature.

Clark said he does not believe the issue "is whether older persons can or can't represent young ideas." Rather, he said, the issue is that potentially, an exceptional 18, 19 or 20-year-old could be a capable representative.

Bazett asked Clark if the age requirement should be lowered to 18 for all offices, including Congressman, Senator and President.

"That is not the issue here today," Clark replied.

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