

Budget hearings continue

Art Barfield of the Black Graduate Student Council (BGSC), told the ASUO executive Monday night that he is trying to eliminate the one-man organization of his program.

Executive budget hearings for the University Theatre, Student Employees Defense Council, Student Administrative Board (SAB), Cosmopolitan Student Association and the Grower's Market also were held.

The BGSC budget total was \$2,100, which includes salaries, administrative expenses (phone, postage, and office supplies) and program expenses.

Program expenses will cover the cost of printing a newsletter, running an educational workshop and developing consultation programs for both graduates and undergraduates in regard to professional opportunities, Barfield said.

Barfield mentioned that one of the program's objectives is to encourage Black undergraduates to pursue further education.

The constituency of the BGSC is about 1.5 per cent of the total graduate student body.

Faber DeChaine, director of the University Theatre, requested that a funding formula be determined in order to facilitate a reduction in student ticket prices.

He emphasized that a direct subsidy would not be appropriate

because the theatre serves the general community as well as the students.

Richard Donahoe of the Student Employees Defense Council said that the University pays an average of 30 to 40 cents less than outside community employers.

He requested a \$1,305 budget to facilitate the organization of bargaining units for student employees. Donahoe said that of the 2,000 students employed by the University, about 10 per cent are represented by Local 1893 of the AFL-CIO.

Mary Don, director of the Student Administrative Board (SAB), presented a \$3,016 budget request.

Two additions to the budget were made this year. One is a request for \$800 to produce a directory of on-campus organizations. This would cover the printing costs for 1,000 copies of the booklet, Don said.

The second addition is a \$480 request to provide a 12-month salary for a co-director. Don said a co-director is needed to obtain more input at the leadership level of the program.

Isaiah Obot, director of the Cosmopolitan Student Association, requested a \$1,260 budget, a \$125 increase over last year's budget. Obot said an additional \$100 is needed for the International Dinner because this

year more persons from the outside community attended than were anticipated.

When questioned about the possibilities of a merger between his program and the Foreign Student Organization (FSO) or the Cultural Centers, Obot said he sees more need "for the other programs to work more closely with Cosmopolitan."

He stated that merging with FSO might rule out the American students presently working with Cosmopolitan.

Sharon Mainzer of the Grower's Market explained to the executive that the purpose of her organization is to "pool the buying power of a lot of people and to get food at a wholesale price." Mainzer said that approximately 400 families place orders with the market and "about one-third of the households are students."

She said the organization needs money for supplies to be used in renovating the warehouse they purchased in October. The labor will be done by people who work with the market, Mainzer added.

At budget hearings last Friday the ASUO executives heard requests from the Women's Transitional Living Center (WTLC), Music, ASUO Housing Office, Willamette Housing Office and the Migrant Labor Project.

Revised tenant-landlord bill passed to Senate floor

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SALEM (Special)—The Senate Local Government and Urban Affairs committee voted Thursday to send SB 159, the comprehensive overhaul of existing landlord-tenant laws, to the Senate floor with a "do pass" recommendation.

The move followed weeks of conflicting testimony from landlords and tenants and revising the bill during numerous work-sessions on the measure.

Though several changes were made in the bill, Charles Williamson, a Portland attorney representing several tenant organizations, said Thursday that the measure is "still a good bill." He indicated, however, that tenant groups may fight to reinstate several of the sections removed from the bill by the Senate committee during consideration by the House.

Landlords appeared more satisfied with the amended bill than with the original measure, though they, too, indicated they might press for further revision in the House.

The mended bill changes current laws which allow landlords:

—to keep cleaning deposits without an accounting of why the deposits are not returned to tenants. The bill states that landlords must return deposits at the termination of tenancy or else provide tenants with a detailed accounting of deductions against the deposit.

—to arbitrarily evict tenants. The bill prohibits landlords from evicting a tenant solely as a retaliation against the tenant joining a tenants union, reporting landlord negligence or otherwise exercising his or her rights.

—to lock tenants out of their rented homes and to eventually sell almost all of the tenant's property for nonpayment of rent. This action, currently usually only threatened by landlords is called "the landlords lien" and is abolished under SB 159.

The bill also states that landlords must provide "habitable" dwellings which includes providing adequate heat, water, electricity, sewage disposal, plumbing facilities and "effective waterproofing."

The committee, however, deleted sections of the bill that would have:

—allowed the tenant to make minor repairs and deduct the cost from rent.

—granted attorney's fees only to tenants in court cases against landlords. The amended bill provides that either party in a court case "may be awarded attorney's fees."

—required landlords to maintain rental units according to existing rental codes. The landlords argued that one law should not be passed for the purpose of enforcing other laws.

SB 159 was originally introduced as a "uniform law", drafted by the National Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, a group which spent two years listening to testimony on the national level and drafting the bill.

The organization, which has drafted similar legislation enacting uniform business codes, argued that the landlord-tenant relationship should be consistent in every state.

The senate committee, however, decided that landlord-tenant laws should vary according to different conditions in each state. The adopted amendments changed the bill from the original "uniform" proposal.

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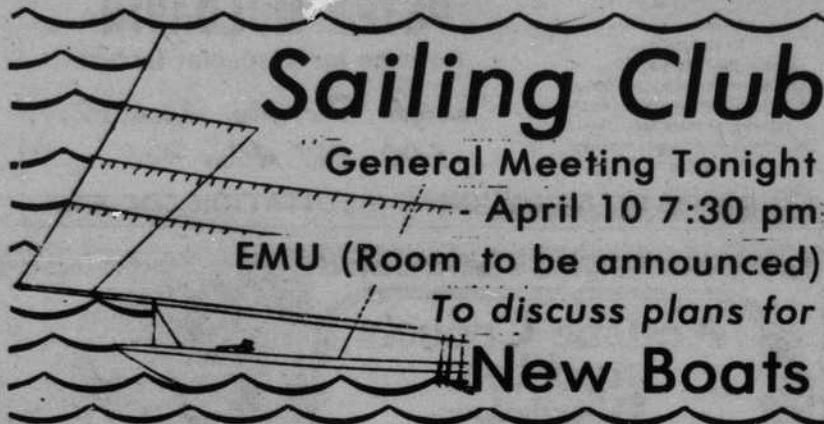
"We have grave reservations about a faculty-student senate," Leo says. What would be better, he feels, is an alliance of departmental student unions which would have the advantage of providing broader representation and quicker response in times of student need.

Leo and Barnett support a strong athletics program at the University and feel that the thrust of such support should be primarily invested in a beef-up of women's activities.

One proposal advanced by the

candidates would go a long way towards alleviating the parking situation on campus. Their plan would involve running a shuttle bus (paid for by ASUO) from Autzen Stadium parking lot to campus. "We think the parking problem on campus is sufficiently bad to have ASUO work on the problem," Leo says.

Another concern is the present condition of the millrace. What is needed for this particular issue, they feel, is effective, coordinated leadership to organize the sputtering clean-up campaign. "If elected," Leo and Barnett said, "we would propose that ASUO take this leadership and coordinate the effort."



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