

IFC votes funds to ODE, theater, OSPIRG

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Tuesday night's Incidental Fee Committee (IFC) deliberations broke away from what has almost become an IFC tradition.

The IFC reviewed three programs at the meeting. One was allocated more money than it had asked for. One received exactly the amount it had requested. And another experienced only a slight cut in its request. Add to these facts that two of the decisions came with surprisingly swift action and you practically have a phenomenon.

The IFC is in one of the last stages of allocating incidental fees to student groups and ASUO programs. Until Tuesday many of the deliberations had plodded along at a painful pace.

Since the ASUO has pledged itself to a zero per cent increase in incidental fees, there have been few student programs or services getting their entire requests, much less getting more.

The \$54,560 subscription price asked for by the Oregon Daily Emerald Publishing Company was met with the committee voting for a \$60,000 subscription fee. However, the IFC tacked on several stipulations. The "gentlemen's agreement" between the Emerald and the

ASUO concerning a \$20,000 loan the paper received from the ASUO in February was to be considered null and void. Instead the ASUO will consider \$5,000 as an equity contribution with the remaining \$15,000 to be paid off in free advertising for the ASUO over a period of four years.

IFC representation on the three-member ASUO contingent to the Emerald Board of Directors was another stipulation.

The IFC decision was similar to the ASUO executive's recommendation, but IFC member Bill Dick was the major contributor to the re-vamped version. He said the figure reflects an approximately 10 per cent increase in costs the Emerald is expected to incur next year. While Dick had some objections to the past financial performance of the Emerald he said it was imperative for the University to have a student newspaper and "we have an investment in the paper to protect."

IFC member Kevin Farrel raised most of the objections to Dick's motion. He claimed recent fiscal action of the Emerald had been poor and was filled with "misinformation" and "rip-offs."

The ASUO pays for a student subscription rate for the 1975-76 fiscal year. The Emerald requested the same amount it received this year which has students paying approximately two and a half cents a copy.

The vote on the Emerald had only Wendy Young

voting no and Farrel abstaining.

OSPIRG received \$1,200 less than its request of \$45,000. The committee voted 5-1 to allot the group \$43,800, the same figure the executive had recommended. (Agreement between the IFC and the executive is also rare.) IFC member Dave Donley presented the motion. He said his recommendation was based on the same reasoning the executive used in its recommendation which stated the group had performed "excellent work for the Oregon citizen." The committee swiftly voted in favor of Donley's motion with Young casting the only no vote.

Young said she had some unanswered questions concerning OSPIRG's program emphasis and its cooperation with other similar groups.

The IFC unanimously passed Farrel's motion to allocate \$8,500 to the University Theater. Again the committee arrived at the same figure the executive had recommended. The \$1,500 increase over last year's funding also carried stipulations. Student tickets will be \$1.25 for main stage productions and \$1 for Pocket and Arena events, according to IFC decision.

It was also stipulated any leftover funds will revert to the IFC or go to next year's funding of the University Theater.

This subsidy is used to offset the cost of offering tickets to students at reduced price.

'Who's funding it?' question for CCDC

The Incidental Fee Committee (IFC) will be deliberating on the EMU budget tonight and Thursday. Included in the EMU budget request is the University Child Care and Development Center (CCDC). The CCDC is expected to come up at tonight's meeting. The following is an analysis of the possibilities of ASUO funding for CCDC.

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When Richard Nixon entered the White House in 1968 he placed high priority on ending the war in Vietnam and bringing law and order to our streets. He placed a low priority on the social programs initiated by the late Pres. Johnson's "War on Poverty." We all know what happened, it's history. The war dragged on. Crime in the streets moved indoors to the White House itself. And a heavy fiscal axe fell on social welfare programs.

Just because the federal funds have been sharply reduced does not mean these programs do not exist anymore. The University Child Care and Development Center (CCDC) is one such social program.

The CCDC is an off-campus, full-day, child care and development center. Student-parents are charged on a sliding fee scale based on need. Students qualifying for services usually have both parents going to school full-time, or with one of the parents working full-time. Fifty per cent of the clients are single parents. A priority lists admits the parents with the

least amount of time available, first.

This year the center ran on a total budget of \$94,000 while running a \$15,000 deficit. Next year the CCDC plans to have an expenditure budget of \$104,902.

According to CCDC officials the center can serve a maximum of 61 full-time equivalent clients.

According to CCDC administrators, private funding support for the CCDC has increased from three per cent to 56 per cent in the last four years. In 1975-76 the center will rely on private sources for nearly 90 per cent of its financial resources. One of those private sources is the ASUO. This

analysis

year the center received \$18,800 of incidental fees. For next year, the CCDC is requesting a subsidy of \$61,728.

In mid-April the ASUO executive recommended to the Incidental Fee Committee (IFC) that the CCDC receive no money from the ASUO. The ASUO administration (Robert Liberty's) that made that decision has ended its term. A new one, headed by a former member of Liberty's administration, took office Monday. The new ASUO president, Jim Bernau, says while he philosophically supports Liberty's decision there are some differences in their approach to the problem.

The major difference is Bernau would support the IFC if it voted for emergency funding of the CCDC.

Bernau doesn't want to see the center slip out of existence and feels temporary partial funding of the center could keep it steady until state or federal funds are available. He is optimistic these monies will be forthcoming from the government and believes the ASUO's main thrust of support for the CCDC should be aimed at getting these dollars.

As Bernau was a member of the previous administration, an examination of Liberty's recommendation is necessary.

It must first be realized the previous administration had pledged itself to a zero per cent increase in incidental fees. It used a criteria written last fall to help guide its budget decision.

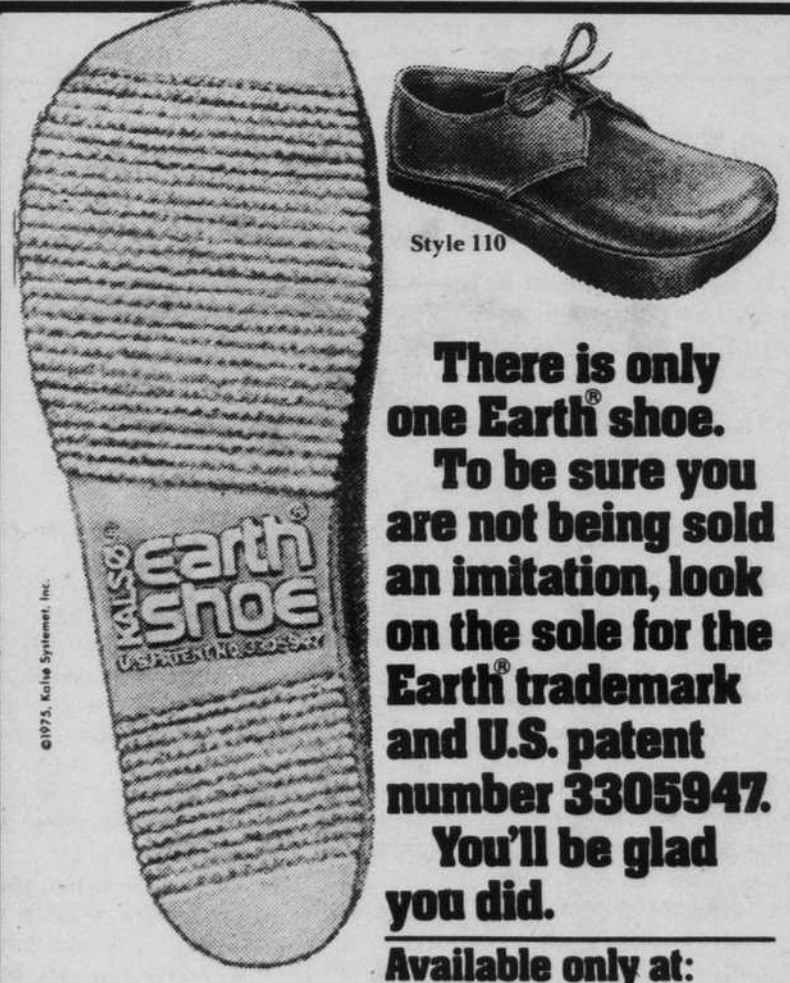
Liberty claims his recommendation does not signify a lack of support for the concept of child care or a belief in poor past performance by the center. It is a matter of finite ASUO resources. Liberty believes the government and the University should assume the financial responsibility. He feels these agencies are wrongfully placing the burden upon students.

The CCDC was called a "costly grant program for a few low income students." By the previous executive. It claims the ESCAPE tutors and work-study students employed there could find positions in other centers in the Eugene area.

While sympathetic to CCDC needs, both Liberty and Bernau question whether such a program

is a proper use of student's incidental fees. The broad definition

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