

Oliver takes applications for eight executive spots

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ASUO President-elect Jan Oliver is accepting applications for eight Executive positions that will "decentralize student government and provide a broader base of control."

Applications for seven of the eight unfilled salaried positions are now being taken. Deadline for applications for the three remaining vice-presidential positions is 5 p.m. Friday. Applications for the executive administrative assistant and three other administrative assistant positions will be accepted through Tuesday, June 8th.

Jamie Burns, chairer of the Incidental Fee Committee during the past year, was appointed Vice-president of Administration and Finance last week by Oliver. Burns is the constitutional vice-president who will succeed Oliver should she leave office. He is also the only vice-president that Oliver has the constitutional mandate to appoint.

The remaining three vice-presidents for State and Local Affairs, University Affairs, and Programs and Community Relations will be hired by Oliver and Burns, following affirmative action guidelines. They will also hire an executive administrative assistant who will be responsible to the president in carrying out administrative duties.

A second round of hiring will then name three administrative assistants, one to work with each of the vice-presidents in State and Local Affairs, University Affairs, and Administration and Finance. The Programs and Community Relations sector will not have an administrative assistant position.

Seven of the eight positions are already budgeted for 12 months at a \$150 per month salary. The eighth position is now budgeted for only nine months but Oliver says she will ask the IFC to transfer money from the merit pay line item to extend that position to 12 months.

The three vice-presidential interviews should be completed and the openings filled by Monday Functions of the State and Local Affairs vice-president will include working with and being responsible for the ASUO's work with the State Board of Higher Education, the Oregon Legislature and the Office of Student Advocacy.

Responsibilities for the University Affairs position will include continued work with collective bargaining, course evaluations and faculty unionization, should it become a reality. In addition, that vice-president will work with the SUAB and the Office of Student Advocacy and handle financial aid matters and student grievances.

Jamie Burns, Vice-president of Administration and Finance, will be responsible for the Executive's role in the budgeting process, contracting with programs, running the elections and dealing with the EMU. Burns will also serve as the ASUO Affirmative Action officer.

The Programs and Community Vice-president will be charged with increasing student communication and involvement. The vice-president will serve as a program advocate and will be in charge of the ASUO Press Officer.

Persons interested in administrative assistant positions should apply in the area that interests them. Applications will be taken at least through Tuesday. Oliver and the vice-president for each area will interview the administrative assistant for each respective area. In addition, several work-study positions will be filled at the beginning of summer term.

Two positions formerly occupied by Burns and Oliver on the IFC are now vacant. Applications for those openings and any others which are vacated as a result of Executive hiring will be taken through the middle of next week.

Solar center hopeful for funds

Solar power has received increasing attention in recent years as a result of concern over dependence on oil and the suspected dangers of nuclear power. The University has aided the development of solar power since the development of the Solar Research Center.

Last year the solar center applied to the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) for funds to operate the center. An "unfavorable response" was received, according

to University physics associate professor Douglas Lowndes, because funds were not available.

But on April 19, the U.S. House of Representatives passed an amended appropriations bill that grants \$116.2 million for nationwide use in the research and development of solar energy. The bill was a part of the appropriations for ERDA, which also funds research of nuclear and other sources of power.

Lowndes says the center will apply for ERDA funds again this

year, and he considers funding more likely this year in view of the amount of money available.

The Solar Research Center, presently operating on local donations, concentrates on the development of solar power for home heating and cooling. The ERDA appropriations bill stipulates that half of the available funds will be used for research in this area and the remaining funds will be used for research in using the sun's rays for generating electrical energy.

Minorities plan rally against program

Minority students and advocates are taking their dissatisfaction with the interim minority program for next year to other students at a rally Thursday at noon in the EMU.

The interim program, proposed by Willetta Wilson, director of the Academic Opportunities Program (AOP) and her boss, John Baldwin, dean of liberal arts, provides for separate seminar classes set up for minority and disadvantaged students. The seminars would be

open to both AOP students and non-AOP students, and would constitute the only program provided for minority students during fall term.

Minority leaders have complained that the interim program is a misuse of funds allocated by the Legislature for the minority program on campus. The program is intended to be temporary, to remain in effect only until a committee appointed by University Pres. William Boyd establishes an all-

inclusive minority program.

Jan Oliver, ASUO president-elect and an AOP student who will speak at the rally, believes that the interim program proposed by Baldwin and Wilson will end up committing all of next year's funds for the minority programs. Dennis DeGross, director of the University's Native American Program, and Barbara Koser, former member of the Educational Opportunities Committee, will also express their views.

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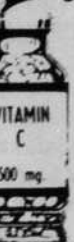
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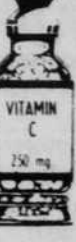
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