

Boyd: 'A research institution...has a questioning approach...'

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The flagship of the University administrative fleet is University Pres. William Boyd. Boyd, who is just finishing his first year at the University, came to Eugene by way of Berkeley where he served as Vice-Chancellor from 1966 to 1968 and Central Michigan University where he served as president for seven years before coming to Oregon.

During the past year, Boyd spent much of his time responding to attacks from outgoing ASUO Pres. Jim Bernau. Bernau was irked by Boyd's decision not to open faculty evaluation records to students, a decision Boyd says he based on opinions of University faculty members and Boyd's non-support of an EMU tavern, among other things. Bernau charged throughout the year that Boyd underestimates student political maturity and that communication problems between the ASUO and Boyd were a result of Boyd's refusal to take students seriously. Boyd disagrees.

"I have always taken the ASUO seriously. I have never doubted its legitimacy."

Boyd says he's satisfied with the power afforded students under the current structure. He points to student membership in the University Senate and their voting rights in faculty meetings.

"There are always those standing procedures for students to avail themselves to, as well as a number of faculty/student committees."

Boyd says the combination of these committee positions and the independent student association gives students a powerful role in University decision making. He dismisses as unimportant the fact that students are a minority on virtually every committee they sit on.

"It's been my experience that lines don't get drawn faculty and student. On an issue, a grading or a grievance procedure issue, you'll find students and faculty members on both sides."

Boyd has also been called to task on his feelings about the relationship between research and teaching at the University. Boyd has been accused by Bernau of favoring research at the expense of teaching, a charge Boyd denies.

"The University of Oregon is a teaching University, but its assignment also includes the discovery of new knowledge. The two goals are not in conflict with each other; a research institution simply has a questioning approach to knowledge rather than a dishing-out approach to knowledge."

Other major figures in Boyd's Administration include Ray Hawk,

Gerald Bogen, and a newcomer, Paul Olum.

Ray Hawk

As Vice-President of Administ-

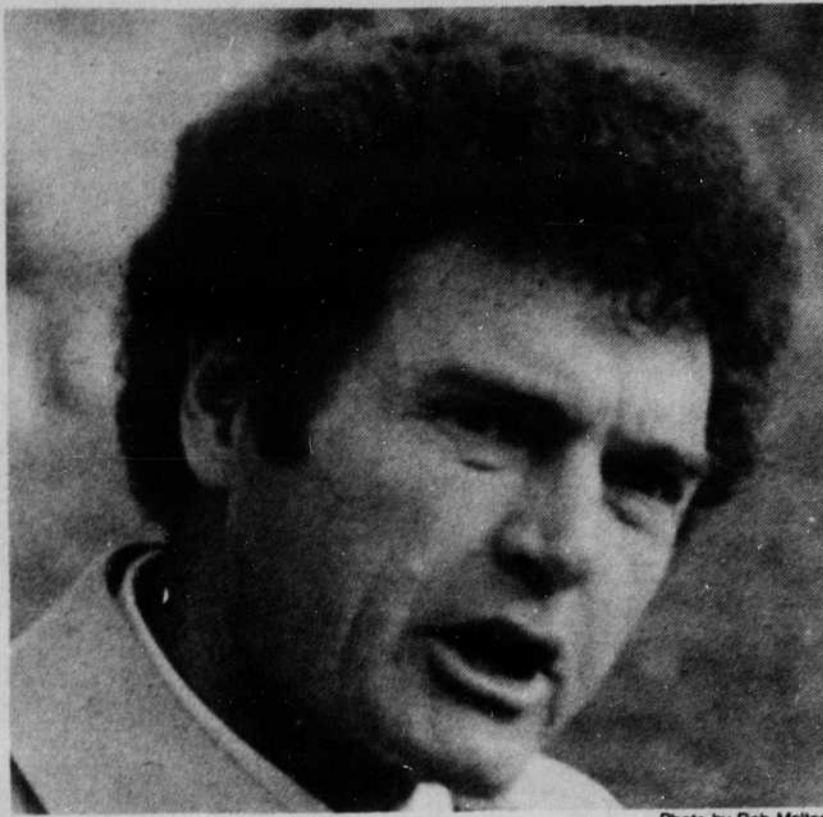


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ration and Finance, Hawk is responsible for the Athletic Department, the Physical Plant, Business Affairs, and Classified Personnel. He also reviews the

ASUO budget and makes budget recommendations to the president. Hawk, who has seen many ASUO budgets, is opposed to total student control of incidental fees.

"The student government is not always representative of the student body at large," warns Hawk. "Sometimes we wind up with a very small number of people mak-

ing decisions of very large determinations."

Gerald Bogen

Bogen's position as vice-president for student affairs gives him administrative responsibility for Campus Security, the Student Health Center, the EMU, University Housing, and student personnel and administrative services. Bogen says students should play a role in governing the University, but the extent of that role varies depending on the issue. He points to the EMU as an example.

"Although it's a community facil-

ity, the EMU, the students are the ones who predominantly foot the bill, and therefore they should play a predominant role in the governance of that building."

Paul Olum

A newcomer to this University's Administration, Olum will serve as Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Provost. This position, which Olum will take over on Sept. 1, is responsible for designing and supervising University courses, and allocating money to the University's various departments and schools.

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