

Group finds daycare needs

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While child care becomes an increasing problem for students at four-year state system institutions, the greatest needs are in Oregon's community colleges. These are the results shown by the State Board of Higher Education Task Force on Child Care, Committee on Data Collection.

Allison Baker, committee chair, received data from all seven State System institutions with the exception of University of Oregon financial aid data. A total of six responses were received from 13 community colleges. "Most of the need seems to be in the community colleges," she says.

In State System schools, 26 per cent of the student body are parents, three per cent of the total student body receive financial aid

for child care.

At a task force meeting on campus last Friday, Dennis Mulvahill, coordinator of the Oregon Student Lobby (OSL), who is currently drafting legislation to implement a day care program for post-secondary students, feels community colleges need to show more support for the legislation before being included in the bill itself.

Community college statistics paint a more desperate picture; with parents representing 45 per cent of the total student body and six per cent of the students receiving financial aid for child care.

Mulvahill has met with representatives at the community colleges and says they were excited by the idea, but since then he hasn't seen much action from them.

"They (community colleges) ought to be able to justify their getting on board," he says. "They should get their own people to lobby."

Also at the meeting the maximum age of a child receiving the day care benefits of the program was set at 12 years of age.

In Section 4, part 3 of the bill, the task force agreed to add a clause stating "adopt the same ceiling as by the Children's Services Division (CSD)." The amount paid is the difference between CSD and parent's share. They also decided that the State Scholarship Commission (SSC) would pay day care suppliers no more than what CSD would.

In Section 1 of the legislative bill, it states "a qualified student applicant for subsidized day care is one who is enrolled in an academic program and making satisfactory progress towards a degree."

The term "satisfactory progress" is individually defined by all State System institutions. Freeman Holmer, vice-chancellor for administration, believes this definition may "plague the State Scholarship Commission."

The task force plans to meet one more time before taking the proposal before the State Board of Higher Education during their regular meeting scheduled for Nov. 19.

Recycling pickups to begin next month

Source-preparation recycling by the West University Neighbors will begin Dec. 1 for 60 Eugene households, rather than Nov. 1 as originally planned.

The group will use electric vehicles to collect waste materials and deliver them to the BRING warehouse at a charge of \$3 a month. They will cover the area between 14th and 18th avenues and from Patterson to Mill streets monthly or bi-monthly depending on the needs of the household.

This system is called source-preparation because the materials are sorted into categories, metal aluminum, glass, paper, organics and plastics before being picked up.

"We feel that to make recycling successful this is the most feasible system. It's more convenient to go to the houses," comments Cindee Perhats, a member of the West University Neighbors.

Added to the convenience factor is the fact that the electric pick-up vehicles are much more economical and efficient than 60 people driving 60 cars to drop off their waste materials.

Although the system works somewhat the same way garbage companies are run, Perhats firmly states, "We don't consider ourselves a garbage service, we are a recycling service."

The group would like to expand the service if the current system works well. They will be making a management study, keeping careful records of volume, weight and other factors, to find out what changes if any should be made. "There has not been much research on source-preparation recycling up to this point," says Perhats.

The service had been scheduled to begin Nov. 1, but the electric vehicles were not ready.

Gay Pride Week begins with panelists, musicians

Gay Pride Week begins on campus today with the panel discussion entitled "Coming Out" scheduled for 2:30 p.m. in the EMU Forum. Panel members will discuss the oppression of gay men and women and the guilt and confusion gays suffer when they try to hide their true sexual identity.

Feminist composer-musician-singer Susan Arrow and gay

musician Horizon will perform at 8 tonight in the EMU Forum. Horizon and Arrow are described as "performers who have amazing energy, warmth, and grace which grow out of their anti-sexist politics."

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