

New proposal recommends KLCC future

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Two hundred and fifty people crowded the Lane Community College (LCC) board room Wednesday night to let the LCC Board of Education know how they felt about the future of KLCC-FM.

Or as Rick Worthington, spokesperson for Listener Support Network (LSN), put it, "who will control the station and for what purpose."

Many of the people present expressed the opinion that the edu-

cational value of the station should not hinder its role as a public service available to the entire community.

Most people in attendance agreed, by a show of hands, with a proposal presented to the Board by LSN.

The LSN proposal recommends:

- The board, which holds the station license, "directly oversees the operations and management of KLCC-FM, separate from other departments at Lane Community College."

- The station manager be directly accountable and responsible solely to the board.

- An advisory committee, representing the viewpoints of the station, the listening public and the college, be formed in order to interview and select personnel required for station operation (subject to approval of the board).

- KLCC-FM do everything in its power to reduce the portion of its budget received from the LCC general fund.

Cheryl Hawkins, a LSN rep-

resentative, reading from the stations Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) grant, (CPB funds KLCC with \$34,000) stated:

"The station be substantially engaged in broadcasting to the public rather than serving as a facility for training students in broadcasting."

Hawkins also pointed out that the CPB funds have been impounded since December when CPB sent an auditor because of the "abrupt firing" of five station staff people. She said CPB will not release that money until CPB is satisfied the terms of the grant have been met. She also pointed out that the terms of the grant require that the paid full-time staff not be required to meet respon-

sibilities other than their station work.

The college administration now requires that these paid full-time staff people also hold teaching positions.

Mike Hopkinson, acting chairman of the Mass Communications Department at LCC, called this procedure "cost effective—better utilizing LCC funds which go to KLCC."

Jan Weaver, one of the station staff people fired in October, said this "cost effective" policy is in direct contradiction with the "expressed intent of the CPB grant."

Weaver also presented a letter from her attorney demanding a full and fair hearing concerning her firing.

Protesters rally against bomber

Local opponents of the B-1 Bomber will protest further funding of the controversial war plane tomorrow noon on the Eugene downtown mall.

The demonstration and street theater are planned in conjunction with national actions in at least 100 cities on Saturday. The sponsoring Eugene group is the Stop the B-1 Bomber National Task Force of Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC).

An estimated \$3.2 billion has been pumped into the research and development of four test B-1s. Opponents of the bomber claim this amount has already made the B-1 worth more than its weight in gold.

Rockwell International, the prime contractor for the B-1, will receive another \$348 million before a presidential decision concerning the plane's fate is made in February.

During his campaign, President Jimmy Carter said the B-1 should not be funded and would be wasteful of the taxpayers' dollars.

Lately Carter's position has weakened according to bomber opponents.

"In the face of intense pressure from the weapons industry and the Pentagon we feel Carter needs to be reminded that the building of the B-1 would be to the advantage of only a few large cor-

porations," says Susan Joyce of the CALC Peace Office.

The South Lane School District could operate for sixteen years at its present budget rate for the cost of one B-1 Bomber, Joyce points out.

"The Pentagon wants a new toy the corporations want more

profits," Joyce says. "It is important Carter hear from the public and not just from Rockwell International and other weapons producers."

Those people interested in joining the protest should assemble at the fountain area of the mall at noon.



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Meanwhile, the town of Plains, strapped for funds to deal with an ever-mounting tide of tourists, is considering seriously selling honorary citizenships for \$4.95. It was learned that Carter, for one, opposes the idea.



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