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Senate reviews University class evaluation options

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Present University legislation does not require that departments and schools conduct faculty course evaluations, History Prof. Paul Holbo told the University Senate during its Wednesday meeting.

The Senate considered motions concerning faculty course evaluation procedures the art museum and two joint education doctoral degrees.

The Senate voted to recommend that Holbo's course evaluation motion be referred back to the ad hoc committee on student evaluation of courses. Should the University Assembly decide to ignore that recommendation, the Senate voted that the motion not be approved.

Holbo and English Prof. Stanley Greenfield, proposed that course evaluations be made once yearly, that administrators prepare course evaluation surveys of their respective departments and that there be a comparison of departmental faculty ratings.

Holbo said some departments and schools do not have evaluative records of teachers or the quality of classes, which makes it difficult for the Faculty Personnel Committee to determine the effectiveness of an instructor's teaching.

"Information can be obtained, but only because the personnel committee takes coercive measures," Holbo explained.

"There is no existing University faculty legislation requiring faculty course evaluations," he added. "Those units which presently do little now can be called to account with very specific legislation if our motion is adopted."

Holbo said the motion was not intended to interfere with the charge given the ad hoc committee on student evaluation of courses. However, Marilyn Farwell, chairer of that committee, said the issues raised by the motion were "within the charge" given it.

The committee was created last spring by the University Assembly to evaluate the effectiveness of current course evaluations and make recommendations to the Assembly at the first meeting Fall Term 1978.

"The committee voted yesterday to ask the Senate to table this motion," Farwell said, terming it "premature."

Holbo countered that the motion concerned administration and use of the evaluations rather than the form, which the ad hoc committee has focused on since its inception.

But Farwell insisted, "It isn't just the form but everything that has to do with the form and that seems to be our charge."

The Senate voted in favor of the motion to establish an advisory committee to the museum of art council and approved two education degrees: a joint doctoral program in Educational Administration, offered by the University with Portland State University (PSU) and a cooperative doctoral program in Community College Education offered with PSU and Oregon State University.

In other action, the Senate voted unanimously to have ed. psych. prof. Lloyd Lovell be its nominee to represent the University in the Inter-Institutional Faculty Senate.

GOP hopefuls plan round two of debates

The ASUO will sponsor the second round of the Oregon Republican gubernatorial debates Friday at noon in the EMU Ballroom.

GOP candidates Victor Atiyeh, Roger Martin and Tom McCall will meet in the second of their three scheduled public debates, according to Keli Osborn, ASUO vice-president for state and University affairs. The first debate was at the Portland City Club and the last will be in Medford. The debate will be open, without charge, to the public.

Each candidate will make opening remarks and then will have three minutes to respond to questions posed by a three-member panel. The panel will include Osborn, Tom Jackson, Daily Emerald editorial page editor, and Paul Holbo, University history professor and member of the Republican Rubicon Society. Candidates will be given two minutes to deliver closing remarks.

Panel members will ask nine questions chosen from a list submitted by students. Osborn said many of the questions turned in were environmentally concerned, but the question topics will cover a wide range of issues.

The forum is part of a series of candidate appearances scheduled by the ASUO. Two democratic gubernatorial candidates have been tentatively scheduled. Other candidate forums will be announced as schedules are confirmed.



Photo by Becky Young

Tom Skinner...Jesus can 'get it all together' for America

Football evangelist asks for true faith in the Word

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He may be Un-American. He may be unjustly blamed for all the problems of the world. And, He may not like the way the governments of the world have polluted the earth, waged war and oppressed their people. But, according to Tom Skinner, Jesus Christ is the only way everyone is going to "get it together."

Speaking on the EMU terrace Wednesday afternoon, Skinner, chaplain for the Washington Redskins' professional football team and traveling evangelist, said that religion in general in the United States has been too "Americanized."

"We were told in the years after World War II that there were three things that our country needed to get itself together," Skinner told the audience. "They are...economics...education...and religion."

The economic system failed to do what everyone said it would do for all the people of the nation, he said. And education just teaches how to make a living, "not how to live."

But religion in America has been placed beside

"patriotism, mom's apple pie and the girl back home," he said.

Americans are told that the U.S. was founded on the word of God by God-fearing leaders, Skinner said.

"If God's been running this country he's been blowing it lately. But he hasn't been running it."

As opposed to ten years ago, people today feel powerless to change things that they don't like, Skinner said. The true power to change the course of the world will come from "knowing Jesus Christ."

"We all know that dropping bombs on people is wrong," he said. "But we don't have the power to stop it."

Not until people "get it together" through Jesus Christ, not through Americanized religion, will they have the power to change things, Skinner said.

Skinner, a long time black activist who was born and raised in Harlem and was the leader of a street gang there was on campus at the invitation of the local chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.