

Incidental Fee Committee:

There are seven positions open on the IFC. The members determine the incidental fee budget for the 1970-1980 school year. They will allocate over \$1.5 million to various programs as well as help determine goals for the programs. These funds go to support the EMU, and the Athletic Department as well as ASUO programs such as Search, ESCAPE, the Survival Center, Off-Campus Housing and a myriad of others. Currently the incidental fee, which is paid by each student each term, is \$31.00 for full time students.

Robert Pahl

Sophomore, Computer Science

As students, we all pay over one hundred dollars a year in Incidental Fees, and frankly, very few of us know how it's being spent.

Incidental Fees have been increasing dramatically over the last several years, often more than the tuition increase set by the State Board of Higher Education. It's time we elected budget conscious members to the Incidental Fee Committee. I will be that kind of committee member.

To reform the I.F.C. of their over-generosity, while still promoting and maintaining an equitable budgeting process, I propose:

- * requiring all programs to present a comprehensive overview of their accomplishments and improvements.
- * a continuous evaluation of program performance.
- * allowing each program to set their own funding priorities.

My major criticism of the Incidental Fee Committee is the lack of student input in the spending of their money. To give the students a stronger voice, I propose:

- * periodic student polls.
- * open meetings: which would be designed around student input.
- * active solicitation of student views.

Incidental Fees should be distributed in the areas of greatest concern to the student body. I'll do my best to see that the students have a strong voice in the spending of their money.

Maria Rojo

Senior, CSPA

I am a candidate for the Incidental Fee Committee because I feel there is a need for a divergent group of individuals on the committee. People from all walks of life make up our student body and I would like to see a fair representation of these people sit on the IFC.

The criteria I would be attentive to are:

- 1) Have the ASUO programs met their goals as stated in their budget requests?
- 2) Does the IFC have a good working relationship with the ASUO and the administration?
- 3) Are the interests of the students being met?
- 4) Can we better allocate funds that are now going to programs that can and do generate significant amounts of money?
- 5) Since a large portion of funds goes into the EMU budget, how much control do we, the students, have of the EMU?

My interest in student affairs has prompted me to seek this position. I will be receptive to student input and I hope to be as fair and objective as possible in evaluating student programs.

Scott Bassett

Junior, Business

After a year as a member of the IFC I have not lost my enthusiasm for being involved in the money allocation process. Again this year, as an IFC member, I would work for consistent allocation of student fees, stressing detailed research of each program's request, open communication with programs, the Executive office, and students, and close adherence to clearly defined budget guidelines.

Research Fair budgeting decisions require that program requests be extensively researched by IFC members. The Planned Program Budgeting System which was successfully initiated last year, and required very detailed budget requests from most ASUO programs, should be continued this year.

Communications I was responsible for initiating and developing the Incidental Fee Information Card that was included in student registration packets this year. This was done with the hope of improving student awareness and understanding of what incidental fees are, where the money comes from, and how it is spent.

Budget Criteria Program budget requests must be equitably evaluated against one another and the very limited available funding. Formulation of budget criteria should include evaluation of program need and alternative income sources, each program's worth in terms of benefits accruing to students, and past performance in relation to future goals.

But any analysis is worthless if one does not keep in mind the ultimate reason for having incidental fees in the first place. I feel that incidental fees are more than a student activity fee. They should be used as a source for funding innovative alternative programs that benefit students in two ways: 1) by giving students an opportunity for a "hands on" educational experience in developing a personal sense of ability in the areas of administration and leadership, and 2) allowing students the opportunity to develop and test ideas within the University environment which might eventually be put to use outside the University.

Vote for an experienced candidate who has made tangible gains in improving students' understanding of incidental fees. I will work to further improve communication, while stressing research and consistent application of budget criteria, with the goal of efficient use of student money in funding ASUO programs.

Ron Rawls

Senior Accounting

After four years at this University I have seen many rich students in the I.F.C. spend money as if it grows on trees. You will see these same rich kids spending money wildly on their campaigns for I.F.C. My goal for this campaign is to spend no money at all.

It's time to get the rich off our backs!

Credibility in the I.F.C. will continue to be the biggest concern of the UO students.

The students at Oregon are fiercely independent and will continue to demand the highest ethics, principles and purpose from the Incidental Fees Committee.

I deserve your vote and you deserve my leadership!

Vote Ron Rawls for I.F.C.

Wayne Bush

Sophomore, Pre-Journalism

This year, the incidental fee committee will allocate over \$1.5 million to different student organizations. For that kind of money, the students of this university deserve committee members who are responsible and hard working enough to see that the money is used to benefit the most students. If elected, that is the kind of committee member that I would be.

Janet Schroer

1st Year Law

The responsibility involved with the allocation of well over one million dollars is great. The large budget controlled by the IFC makes its members the most effective check that the students have on the programs and organizations directly involving students. It is the responsibility of the IFC members then, to make sure that such allocations are made responsibly and in the best interest of the students.

I intend to uphold such responsibility by interacting with the student organizations during the year to evaluate their benefit to the University student community.

I am entering this election with no preconceived notions about what the fiscal budget should be. Each proposal should be examined on its merits, according to how many students it benefits, the extent and nature of the benefits offered the students, and the effectiveness of the organization in dealing with the student needs. By working to evaluate the programs throughout the year according to these guidelines, starting the budget from scratch each time, the programs will be made continuously accountable for the money they spend. The result will be a sound and active and responsible program at the lowest cost to students.

I appreciate your consideration in this election.

Debra Ehrman

2nd Year Law

My name is Debra Ehrman and I am candidate for the IFC committee. I am a second year law student and I completed my undergraduate work in Political Science at the University of Oregon in 1976. Because I have been on this campus since 1973, I am familiar with the various groups represented and their histories of campus activity and involvement. With this background, I feel confident that I could contribute to the incidental fee allocation process. I want to insure the students at the University of Oregon a good return on their fee assessments.

I feel qualified for this position as I am presently the business officer for the Student Bar Association which has acquainted me to the workings of the ASUO bureaucracy. This past summer, I worked in the Associate Provost's Office for Student Affairs which gives me good insight to the concerns of the U of O administration. As far as other employment experience, I worked in the accounts receivable position at the Eugene Hotel while I pursued my B.A. degree. I feel a good accounting background can only be considered a plus when one evaluates the practical role of the IFC.

I do not perceive any drastic changes in the operation of the IFC. If I had to indicate a goal, I would express concerns that perhaps in the past, the graduate population at this University has been

underrepresented and I would work to correct that criticism. I look forward to participating as a representative of the student population and I would appreciate your vote.

Bill Nelson

Junior, Literature

Student government is an instrument for students' voices to be heard. Where would the G.T.F.'s be now were it not for student support? What of all the other student-run organizations that look to student government for aid in building their programs? These organizations all deserve the support that student government can provide. It is the job of the members of the Incidental Fee Committee to see that the financial side of student programs is administered honestly, fairly, and impartially.

Anybody who thinks this is an easy job is invited to talk to any committee member. My acquaintance with the Incidental Fee Committee began my Sophomore year with a little card passed out in everybody's registration packet. I threw it away. Total Incidental Fee monies will total 1.5 million dollars. This money is already distributed to the programs through last year's budgeting process. The members elected to this year's committee will have to decide the budget for next year's programs. There are over fifty-five programs currently budgeted for by the Incidental Fee Committee. New applications have already been received for new programs. The budgeting process itself will likely take three months of meetings every day. Anybody who still thinks this is an easy job, while carrying a full-time load should have entered the election.

I am running because I want to be involved in this process. Having started college as a Liberal Arts major, who went to biology, who went to history, who is now in literature and studying Chinese, I think I am uniquely qualified to understand the importance of a choice. From the athletic programs, to the housing program, to the Survival Center, to the ethnic and academic student unions, to the fraternities and sororities, to the student government itself, all these programs will be funded by the Incidental Fee Committee. It requires an openness of mind and a firm commitment to serving student interests. You can try to please everybody, an impossible job I would like to undertake. Please vote for me, BILL NELSON.

Dusty Rhodes

Senior, Finance

As Chairman of the Erb Memorial Student Union Board of Directors, I've worked closely with 60% of the Incidental Fee Budget. With your support, I will bring to the IFC a strong understanding of where over \$850,000 of your money will be spent this year and a realistic sense of budget priorities.

When I ran for the EMU Board a year and a half ago, I promised not to accept simplistic answers as solutions to complex problems. Every year people running for the IFC promise a 0% increase in the Incidental Fee and yet every year for the past five years there've been increases. For the EMU and AD to receive purely inflationary budget increases and for the Incidental Fee not to be increased would mean that ASUO programs like ESCAPE, Survival Center, etc. be severely cut!!! With the pressures of declining enrollments, inflation, and a 7% limit on increases in the Incidental Fee, don't accept meaningless promises for what we really need: realistic budget priorities.

We need a budgeting process that stimulates

Who's on the Ballot:

Incidental Fee Committee

Kevin Chambers Sophomore, Undeclared
Janet Schroer 1st Year Law
Maria Rojo Senior, CSPA
Robert Pahl Sophomore, Computer Science
Wayne Bush Sophomore, Pre-Journalism
Rick Smithrud Sophomore, Accounting
Janet Eggleston Junior, Economics
Ron Rawls Senior, Accounting
Jay Donaldson Junior, Political Science
Perry Buck 1st Year Law
Dusty Rhodes Senior, Finance

Bill Nelson Junior, Literature
Debra Ehrman 2nd Year Law
Rich Vranizan Sophomore, Business
Steve Wenzel 1st Year Law
Harry Ricks Junior, Undeclared
Scott Bassett Junior, Business
Rocky Schatz Sophomore, Undeclared
No Statement Submitted:
Mohammed Abdullatif Graduate, Linguistics
James Ross Junior, Accounting
Clark Harris Junior, Political Science

Student University Affairs Board

#3 & 4 Business and Economics
No one filed
#7 P.E., Recreation, Health and Dance
Marty Owens Sophomore, P.E.
#10 Architecture and Allied Arts
Harry Benedict Senior, Architecture

Timothy Scarlett Sophomore, Architecture
#11 Fine and Applied Arts, Art History and Art Education
No one filed
#17 Undeclared
Mark O'Brien Junior, Undeclared

