

Boyd backs vote to continue ROTC

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Leading the debate against a motion to remove the ROTC from campus, Pres. William Boyd told the University Assembly that the University is "not ours to make in our own image."

Biology Prof. Bayard McConnaughy's motion to terminate the University's ROTC contract was defeated 79-29.

As a public institution, Boyd said the University must often execute public policy pertaining to education. Boyd defended the ROTC program saying, "We deal with a real world in which there is aggression."

Some assembly members argued there are no good reasons for continuing ROTC at the University, according to their definition of a college. Speech Prof. Andy Thompson called the program "misguided patriotism."

Counter arguments said ROTC represents a basic element of our society and that canceling the program would only affect those students who would lose their scholarships as a result.

In other action, affirmative action recommendations approved last week by the University Senate passed the assembly by a large margin.

The recommendations, aimed at eliminating sex and race disparities at the University, drew fire from Economics Prof. Henry Goldstein, who termed the recommendations "unethical, unconstitutional and unwise." Goldstein said affirmative action calls for reverse discrimination practices in order to reach hiring levels and employment quotas "plucked out of thin air."

Prior to assembly approval of the recommendations, University Vice Pres. and Provost Paul Olum said the administration has already instituted actions to comply with affirmative action guidelines.

The efforts, according to Olum, were in some cases stimulated by the report of the University Affirmative Action Compliance Committee from which the recommendations originated.

Pres. Boyd's State of the University Address, rescheduled from January's meeting, followed action on agenda matters.

In criticizing faculty members for poor attendance at faculty meetings, Boyd said the University is becoming a city university. He asked faculty members to assist in



Lengthy debate explored issues surrounding Biology Prof. Bayard McConnaughy's motion to expel ROTC from campus during Wednesday's University Assembly meeting. In the end, McConnaughy's motion was defeated

keeping the University "collegiate" in nature and not bowing to the threatening urbanizing effect.

Boyd also addressed the issue of dwindling higher education resources. "Higher education has already had its cuts," he said.

Boyd explained that recent meetings with Gov. Vic Atiyeh have left him confident higher education will enjoy a higher priority in the state budget.

The top priority for the State Board of Higher Education at present, Boyd said, is to restore full-base budgets to the University and sister institutions.

Among steps being taken to realize this goal are increased lobbying efforts. Boyd also said that he and other college presidents have been involved in setting up "alumni

79-29, but not before several faculty members and University Pres. William Boyd argued the pros and cons of the motion.

clusters" in communities around the state.

The alumni groups will form a "network of support" that should back higher education in matters coming before the state legislature, Boyd said.

He also briefly mentioned University efforts to combat dwindling enrollment figures. Studies indicate that enrollment in higher education will continue to fall well into the 1980's, Boyd said. The University, however, is instituting more aggressive recruitment practices and concentrating on lowering the number of drop-outs.

The University is, in addition, involved in revising the curriculum in several departments to make programs more "enjoyable and manageable."

Ethnic program fails IFC test

Emotions accented Wednesday's Incidental Fee Committee hearings. The goals of the 3-D Multi Cultural Program failed, while goals of the Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils received approval after heated debate.

Dusty Rhodes voiced the majority opinion of the IFC by stating that he approved of the concept of the 3-D program — exposure to other ethnic cultures — but felt that there was no functioning program. IFC guidelines do not allow funding for non-functioning programs.

Efforts will be taken not to eliminate the program completely, according to Janet Eggleston, who suggested that the administration of the program be returned to the Black Student Union.

Eggleston offered to help Jocelyn Jefferson, director of 3-D, with the merger. Eggleston also expressed a desire to keep the program from dying by involving the other ethnic student unions.

Discussion of Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic goals proved an emotional topic. The goals of the Interfraternity Council were approved with the exception of funding to attend the Western Regional Interfraternity Council Conference, and a council retreat.

As Eggleston pointed out, the conference is scheduled for Nevada, a non-ERA ratified state. She explained that she felt student funds should not be spent in

that state. Ironically, the same goal was offered by the Panhellenic council and passed.

A major portion of the Interfraternity Council hearing was centered on its goal of providing students with the awareness of a housing alternative. Rhodes suggested perhaps this goal would serve as a membership drive for a

select group of fraternity initiates.

Dave Tyler, of the Interfraternity Council, argues that rush was just publicity and should be funded, as other organizations receive promotional funding.

The goals of Panhellenic and Alpha Kappa Psi, a business fraternity, were also approved by the IFC.

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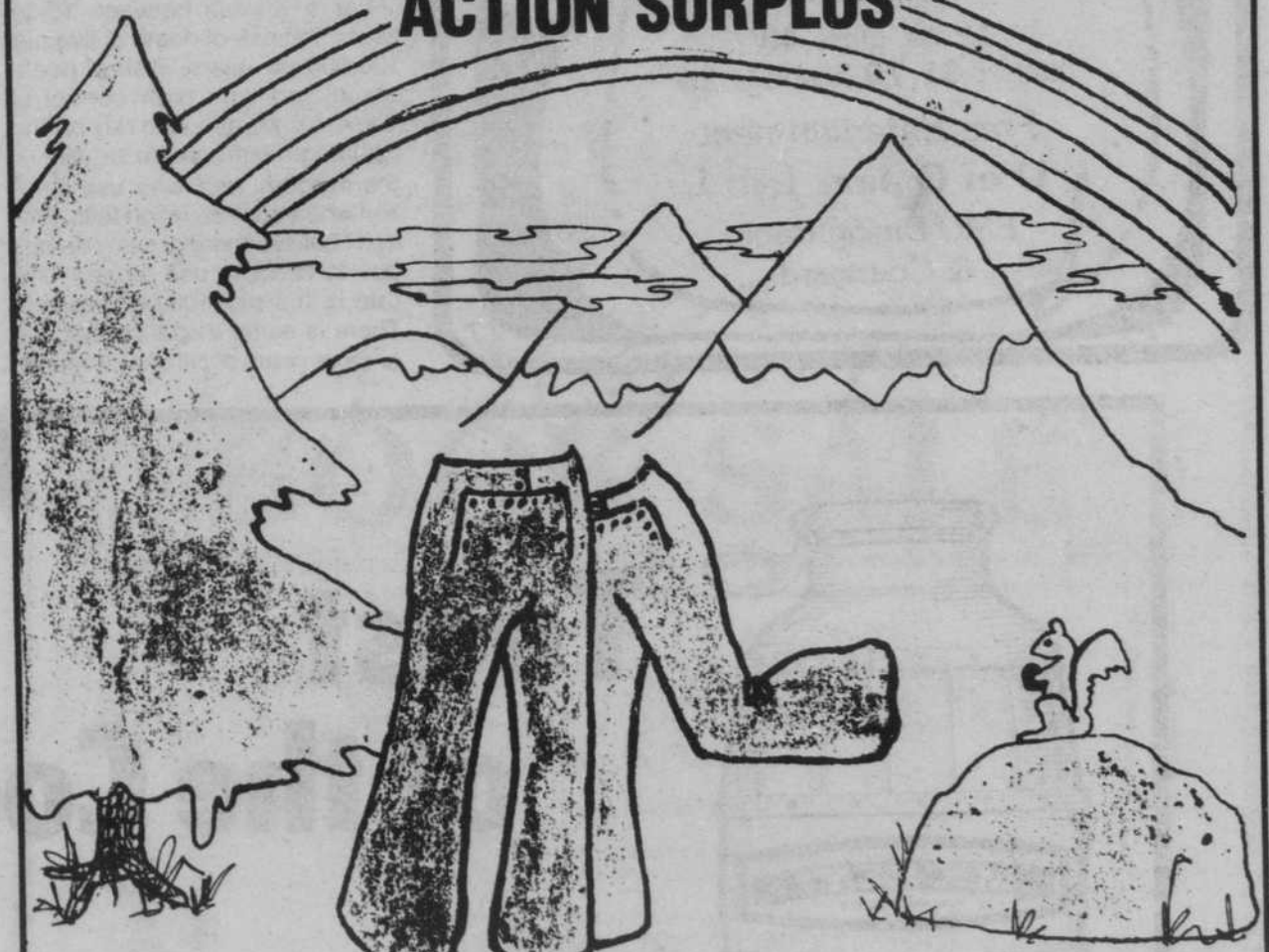
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