



Open meeting reports in

Fulfilling a request of the League of Oregon Cities to clarify Oregon's open meeting law, the Bureau of Governmental Research and Service at the University has prepared a 26-page report on the law.

The state's open meeting statute was enacted in 1973 on the premise "that, with few exceptions, public policy-making by governmental deliberative bodies should be openly arrived at during meetings open to attendance by the public," writes the bureau Director Kenneth Tollenaar, in the report's foreword.

But confusion has arisen, Tollenaar adds, about the precise extent of the law, the discretion it leaves with public officials and the potential results of its violation.

The bureau's report covers such topics as the deliberative bodies affected by the law, the rules concerning proper public notice, the format meetings should follow and the conditions under which a closed emergency executive session would be permitted.

The news media's rights in the open meeting process are also discussed in the report.

Among the points raised in the analysis is that while the open meeting law gives the public the right to attend meetings of deliberative bodies, it does not entitle the public to participate in the meetings. The report also notes that news gatherers are accorded the same rights as the general public under the law, except that in specified cases the media have access to special executive sessions the public cannot attend.

James Mattis, legal consultant to the Bureau of Governmental Research and Service, is the author of the report, which was published last month. Titled "Open Meeting Requirements for Oregon Local Government," the report is available for \$3.50 from the Bureau.

Hawaii Club to give luau

Members of the Hawaii Club are extending their "aloha" to a special group of people.

One-third of the proceeds from the Hawaii Club's fourth

annual luau will go to the Easter Seal School and Treatment Center in Eugene. The luau is on Saturday in the EMU Ballroom at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$6.50 for adults, \$6 for students and senior citizens, and \$4.50 for children under 12. They are on sale at the EMU Main Desk.

For more information, contact Duane Pang at 343-9876.

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BASSETT

for ASUO President

New memorial established for former pres

The University Assembly has voted to establish a memorial to late acting University President Charles Johnson, who guided the University for 10½ months during a period of campus unrest in the late '60s.

The governing body approved recommendations of an ad hoc committee calling for creation of an annual award to be given to a member of the University faculty or staff who has made outstanding contributions to the university and the university community.

Establishment of the award is intended to correspond with the 10-year anniversary of Johnson's death, according to University economics Prof. Robert Campbell, who headed the Johnson Memorial Committee. The former acting president died in an automobile crash in June, 1969.

Campbell said the award is intended to "honor the principles of Charles Johnson" and will be given each year at spring commencement, beginning in 1980.

The committee's memorial plan also calls for the commissioning of a work of art to be placed on the campus in Johnson's honor.

An editorial which appeared in the Eugene Register-Guard shortly after Johnson's death credited him with tireless efforts to keep the campus free of strife at a time when turmoil at other universities had "turned the traditionally peaceful academic life into days and nights of terror."

Johnson was named acting president following the resignation of Arthur Flemming.

Hiring session to be offered

An affirmative action workshop on hiring the older worker will be held from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. today in the EMU, room to be posted. Administrative assistants, affirmative action liaison officers, department heads and other interested persons are encouraged to attend. Pauline Allen, Francis Scott and Ethel Villeneuve will be featured speakers.

SUAB to discuss clause

The Student University Affairs Board will hold a meeting at 3:30 p.m. today to discuss the "Kill Clause" in the university Assembly by-laws.

The "Kill Clause" allows the Assembly to determine its own members. By vote it can remove the student members if it so chooses.

The meeting will also discuss ways to increase voter turnout for the coming primary election, April 18 and 19. The final election is scheduled for April 25 and 26.

Students are welcome. The room will be posted at the EMU.

Peterson receives grant

University Prof. Ronald Peterson of the German and Russian department has received a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies for further research toward publication of his doctoral dissertation.

Peterson received his Ph.D. in 1977 with a dissertation on the short prose of Andrej Belyj, an early 20th century Russian author.

Peterson plans to travel to Harvard this summer for further research on the subject and says he hopes the work will eventually be published as a monograph.

The Council awarded grants-in-aid this year, made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Award given to rec head

Larry Neal, head of the University's recreation and park management department, says he is pleased with the recognition of the Outstanding Achievement award which the American Association for Leisure and Recreation gave him.

Neal says "the award recognizes my work as founding editor of Leisure Today, and as founding coordinator on the J.B. Nash Scholar Lecture Program. It is a thank-you note from the people in my field."

briefs

MEETINGS

The English as a Second Language program for adults at the Lane Community College Downtown Center is looking for volunteers for the American Friend program. Intermediate and advanced foreign students from age 16 to 60 need partners for once-a-week, one-on-one conversation. No special skills or training are needed.

There will be an orientation meeting for all those interested today at 3 p.m. at the LCC Downtown Center on the mall, Room 156.

Oregon State Employees Association Chapters 88 and 49 will hold two special agency contract ratification meetings Thursday. All members of both chapters are encouraged to attend either of the meetings — at noon or 7:30 p.m. — in the EMU, room to be posted, to discuss contract issues and vote on the agency contract.

There will be a meeting today for women considering returning to school in Room 220 of the Center Building, Lane Community College.

LCC Counselor Betty Vail will speak on "What is Assertiveness?" at 11:30 a.m.

There will be an information meeting for undergraduates interested in the possibility of graduate work in psychology tonight at 7 in 146 Straub Hall.

The Eugene Infant Formula Action Coalition will meet today at 12:30 p.m. at the Koinonia Center, 1414 Kincaid St. Ideas for the upcoming INFACT Day will be discussed.

The Condon Society will meet today at 4:30 p.m. so members can get their pictures taken. Plans for the next program and trip will be discussed at the meeting in Room 45, Geology.

LECTURES

The International Association of Students in Economics and Business Management presents "New Dimensions of Foreign Trade in Oregon" today from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Gerlinger Alumni Lounge. Featured speakers include Hazel Qdenburg, U.S. Department of Commerce; Barbara Low, Port of Portland; and Richard Lindholm, University finance professor.

All students and faculty interested in foreign trade zones and the implementation of a duty free trade area in Eugene are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

DISCUSSION

The Associated Students of Lane Community College will sponsor a panel discussion on draft legislation decisions today from noon to 2 p.m. in the LCC board room.

HEARINGS

The following groups will come before the Incidental Fee Committee to seek their annual budgets: ALERT, 3:30 p.m.; English Graduate Students, 4:15 p.m.; CSPA-GSO, 5 p.m.; Foreign Student Organization, 5:45 p.m.; and EMU Board, 6:45 p.m.

TESTS

The Cooperative English Test, which must be passed before a student may enroll in Journalism 250, Journalistic Writing, will be given today at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. in 358 Susan Campbell Hall.

SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are being taken for Physical Education Proficiency Examinations in the main office, 161 Gerlinger Annex. The deadline for applying is Friday at 5 p.m.

Applications are still being accepted for the Goldie Levine Memorial Scholarship awarded annually to an outstanding undergraduate majoring in one or more of the romance languages.

Award requirements do not include financial need. The award is made on the basis of academic record, recommendations and a personal interview with the scholarship committee.

Applications must be completed and returned to the Department of Romance Languages by Monday.

POLICY

The Emerald's briefs column is open to anyone wishing to announce meetings, lectures or miscellaneous events. Briefs are run only once and are subject to space limitations.

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