

Bookstore election continues until Friday

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Preserving the 11 percent discount on books and deciding whether the store should close its U.S. National Bank of Oregon accounts are the issues facing the 17 candidates vying for six open positions.

Election for the board, which acts as policy-maker for the Bookstore, continues through Friday.

Here's a rundown of the candidates:

Mike David, an undeclared sophomore, is one of seven candidates running for two sophomore seats on the board. David says the main issue facing the board is protecting the 11 percent discount students now receive.

David maintains that if students want the Bookstore's U.S. Bank account closed, board members should withdraw the funds.

William Orkin, a sophomore in finance, sees the textbook discount as a major responsibility for the board. Orkin opposes closing the store's U.S. Bank account because he thinks South African-related investments are not a major issue.

Gary McMahon, sophomore in architecture and chair of the Student University Affairs Board, says he is running for the board because it offers good exposure and experience.

He says the Bookstore should keep its account at the U.S. National Bank because it would be an unwise business

Discounts, U.S. Bank highlight race

decision to change to another.

Andy Vanermolen, an undeclared sophomore, says the Bookstore's profits should be returned to students through higher textbook discounts or by paying students more for used books. He agrees the Bookstore should move its accounts from U.S. National Bank.

Three other sophomore candidates, Tricia Sewell, Sharon Gitelson and Kent Lavery were unavailable for comment.

Loren Allen, one of four graduate student candidates, has worked for the Bookstore and says its primary function should be to offer services to students at the lowest possible price.

"At times I think the board has gone off of this central track," the law student says, "the board gets too involved in other matters."

Hal Darst, a graduate student in urban and regional planning, says he would like to see the board review affirmative action policy of the bookstore, fund some community groups and increase the participation of employees in Bookstore policies.

Review of affirmative action policy is an important issue, he says. "Since Gov. Atiyeh is working to make financing even more difficult for those people bringing different cultures to the campus, the issue is one of major concern."

Mary Sandell, a law student

who currently serves on the board, says her experience is the main reason she is running for reelection.

"I think we've accomplished a lot of good things," she says, pointing to the board's South African — related stock divestment.

Bill Piels, a second-year law student, says he is "strongly against investment in South Africa," and says that the Bookstore is in a unique position to consider "political" questions in its decision making.

Edsel Yamada, a junior in history and president of the Hawaii Club, is one of five candidates for the one student-at-large position. According to Yamada, the board's main duty is to be responsive to the store's student owners.

On the issue of the store's account with U.S. Bank, Yamada says he is uncertain whether the benefits received from the bank justify maintaining the bookstore's account there.

Harry Ricks, an undeclared junior, says his experience on the Incidental Fee Committee

has made him aware of students needs.

"I'm interested in keeping costs low for students and being part of the student input on the board," he says, adding that he isn't sure of his position on the South Africa debate since he hasn't heard both sides.

Steve Baker, first-year architecture student now employed by the bookstore says Bookstore profits should be returned to the students.

"I believe one of the most direct ways to accomplish this is to increase discounts on Bookstore products," he says.

Gary Contantine, a junior in business administration and the co-director of the Jewish

Student Union, says he is running for the board to get involved in student government beyond the ASUO program level.

The bookstore should continue its action against South Africa — related investments and change banks, he adds.

One other candidate, Barbara Lyman, was unavailable for comment.

History Prof. **Robert Lang** is the only candidate for the single open faculty position on the board. Lang, head of the history department and who has been at the University since 1964 says the Bookstore should seek information on alternative banks to U.S. Bank.

"My feeling is this is an issue on which it is legitimate to take action," Lang says.



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