

Romano replaces Nalia as new chair of EMU Board

By Julie Freeman
Of the Emerald

Laura Romano replaced Mark Nalia as the acting summer chair of the EMU Board in a 5-4 vote Tuesday after several board members expressed dissatisfaction with how Nalia was appointed to the position.

"I don't think that most of the people on the board knew how Mark was elected," said Cindi Kim, a new board member who nominated Romano for the position.

Nalia, who was selected to serve as the interim chair last spring by the 1984-85 board, said that he was totally surprised by Tuesday's decision. He served as the board's chair last year and during the summer of 1984.

Romano, co-director of the Women's Resource and Referral Service and a new member of the board, said that she was not surprised by her election at all.

"The general feeling of the new members was that we wanted to be able to elect the new chair," Romano said.

"I knew beforehand that I would probably be nominated," she said.

During the meeting, Nalia said that he did not see his summer chair position as a confrontation between the new members of the board and the old members, who appointed him.

"I wish that there would have been more input on this issue before this time," Nalia added before the motion to elect Romano was passed.

In other business, the board discussed revoking the office space allocated to five groups last year. The groups indicated were Forensics, Students for a Progressive Agenda, Muslim Students Society, Catalyst Films, and Women in Communications.

After a debate concerning the failure of the board to notify these groups of Tuesday's meeting, the board decided to table the discussion of this issue until the next meeting when the various groups involved could be informed of the proceedings.

The board did decide, however, to revoke the space allocated to Forensics by a 7-1 vote.

"The question here is not whether these groups are worthwhile," said Karen Gaffney, a board member who distributed a memo to these groups in June informing them that they faced revocation of their office space.

The real question is whether they really need or use their office space, Gaffney said.

The board then heard from Adell McMillan, director of the EMU, who reported that the EMU has been given the go-ahead by the University Planning Office to draw up plans to turn the building's east bowling alleys into a new computer center.

The funding request for the new center will be brought before the State Board of Higher Education at the next meeting, McMillan said. But, she said she hopes to accept bids for the renovation job by the beginning of September.

IFC funds student trip to USSA nationwide meeting

By Julie Shippen
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The Incidental Fee Committee allocated \$1,370 Tuesday to send two ASUO Executive members to the United States Student Association's national summer conference in Chicago later this month.

The three-member summer subcommittee unanimously approved the Executive's request, which will pay travel expenses for delegates Debra Kester, ASUO state affairs coordinator, and Dave Herman, editor of the ASUO's publication, Off the Record.

The United States Student Association is the country's only national student association and lobbyist, and represents more than three million students on 300 campuses across the country.

John Dreeszen, the new ASUO vice president, believes the delegates' trip should prove useful in more ways than one. In addition to setting a lobbying agenda for the year, Kester and Herman are to investigate USSA's overall effectiveness and check the association's financial stability, he said.

"We're asking for this money because we want to send two people back to the conference and find out if USSA is a viable organization to participate in," Dreeszen said.

Anne Wyatt, IFC summer chair, said the allocation is not an attempt to bypass the USSA ballot measure, which failed 383 to 242 in the ASUO spring elections. Because the measure incorrectly requested "9.35 cents" instead of .935 cents, the Executive and Wyatt believe the measure's outcome — approved or rejected — is basically invalid.

Besides, the ballot measure (6) was not intended to be a complete "yes" or "no" vote for participation in USSA, Wyatt said.

"I think it was a 'no \$9.35,'" she said. "The incidental fee has not been raised due to Ballot Measure 6, and what we decided yesterday should not be construed as going against Measure 6."

In other business, the committee will release funds in quarterly allotments from a surplus to allow the Rape Crisis Network to pay for present phone costs. The network's 1985-86 account will later be debated.

Also, the committee made available previously reserved funds for Off the Record's publication next year. Herman, who presented a detailed plan for the paper, "has shown that the money will be used in a good way," Wyatt said, and not for "playtime."

Other voting members at the meeting were Jim Randall and Cindi Kim.

Developer to talk

University students will have an opportunity to discuss the Riverfront Research Park with one of the project's developers during a public forum at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday in Room 150 Geology.

David Carley, partner in the Carley Capital Group of Washington, D.C., the developer chosen for the project, and Maureen McAvey, director of development for Carley Capital Group, will arrive in Eugene Monday afternoon.

On Tuesday, Carley will speak during the Eugene Rotary Club's noon meeting at the Black Angus Restaurant, 2133 Franklin Blvd.

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