

## Advice and update offered in measures

Despite a moment of conflict concerning three ballot measures last week, voters will be able to decide on all 10 measures in the general election this Wednesday and Thursday. After reviewing the first five, we recommend voting in favor of the first four but opposing the fifth.

Ballot measures 1 and 2 are house-cleaning proposals. They are designed to bring the ASUO Constitution up to date with current ASUO practices.

Specifically, Measure 1 deals with re-wording section 11.9, which outlines the election process for Incidental Fee Committee members and replaces it with an updated version. The current wording does not specify between one-year and two-year IFC seats.

The constitution would be altered to reflect the election process that took place last week in the primary election with Measure 1. It identifies one-year and two-year seats and establishes guidelines for write-in candidates.

Measure 2 takes a similar course of action with the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group's funding through the IFC. The measure would have OSPIRG's funding go on the ballot every other year "to demonstrate student support." In the off years, OSPIRG would go to the IFC for budget approval.

Overall, Measures 1 and 2 do nothing to change the current process. They only bring the constitution into order with established practice.

Measures 3 and 4 are recommendations for the University. If they are passed, they will not necessarily go into effect. More research will be done before anything happens.

Measure 3 recommends extending University library hours during dead and finals week. This measure would give students another place to study aside from the EMU. However, cost must be considered. If it becomes apparent that it is too expensive to keep the library open for a few extra hours, then this proposal should be rejected.

Measure 4 proposes changing the length of time between classes from 10 to 15 minutes. This is an important issue, especially for disabled students. The measure would give students more time to travel between consecutive classes located across campus.

But the effects this will have on scheduling must be considered. If carried out, the proposal would alter the times that classes start and make awkward schedules.

Taken at face value, measures 3 and 4 are worthy. Because these are advisory measures, specifics have not been researched. These detail issues must be looked at before the measures are put into action.

Measure 5 is an advisory measure to lobby against the Riverfront Research Park Project. The project would develop the land by the Autzen Stadium footbridge where the soccer fields are now located.

Although we do not believe developing the land beside the riverfront is entirely appropriate, the project will benefit University students. The University administration is on record as promising to find a new location for the soccer fields if the research park is constructed on the existing fields.

Supporters of Measure 5 would rather relocate the research park than relocate the soccer fields. That idea could prove very impractical.

But the administration must be held to its promise to relocate the soccer fields.



## Letters

### Fiscal advice

I would like to explain why I am running for an Incidental Fee Committee one-year position.

Students deserve fiscal responsibility in the allocation of their incidental fees. Students should not simply be utilized as an endless source of money whenever programs request additional resources.

Every funded program should be carefully reviewed to assess the group's needs, ascertain their specific resources, and monitor the use of granted budgets.

An increased emphasis needs to be placed on alternative sources of funding, including grants and fundraising. An IFC member should be viewed as an advisor to groups in order to better manage their budgets.

Politics should play no part in the operations of the IFC. Budgeting should be based on uniform criteria, and applied to every group in a fair and equitable manner. Funds should be utilized to attend to campus concerns, rather than to fund outside political issues.

I have the experience, knowledge, and openness to excel and persevere in the IFC. As a consultant in the private sector, I developed, proposed and

administered million-dollar budgets.

Currently a first-year MBA student, I've gained five years of business education, which has also added to my budgeting background.

Supported by Concerned Students for Responsive Leadership, I believe in equal representation and an openness to new ideas.

Sandra Thompson  
IFC Candidate

### Playground slap

I want to comment on the irresponsibility demonstrated by Kimberly Sargent in her letter to the editor (ODE, April 14). Sargent's portrayal of the CSRL coalition is not only completely inaccurate; it is underhanded and rude!

I'd like to think that the majority of students, regardless of their political beliefs or affiliations, would never resort to such degrading and irresponsible political tactics.

CSRL is a coalition of a very diverse group of students. It does not accredit itself with any political ideologies or biases. The group's central bond is simply its responsible approach to student government. CSRL is not reactionary and is nowhere close to being "extremely right wing," as Sargent asserts.

Let's get serious Miss Sargent! Play the game fair or GET OUT! I also sincerely hope that Sargent's slanderous tactics are not representative of other SPA members.

Miss Sargent; take your playground politics elsewhere and please get some class!

Cory Wynne  
Student Senator

### One more time

I would like to thank the Greek Endorsement Council, the Master's of Business Administration Endorsement Board, Concerned Students for Responsible Leadership, the individuals who voted in my favor, and all my friends for the tremendous support you've given me during the student elections.

I expect the two years ahead of me will prove to be both exciting and challenging. You have my word that I will respond to your needs and desires when taking action on the EMU Board of Directors.

If and when you have questions or suggestions pertaining to the function of the board within the EMU simply call or leave a message in my box in Suite 3, EMU.

By the end of the week we will know what kind of student government we can expect for '87-'88. The outcome is well within our grasp if we choose to take it.

This last week showed us that the students at the University can take their futures' responsibly into their own hands. Kasey Brooks and Karen Gaffney have the needed skills to run an administration that will accurately represent you the way an ASUO office should.

The election didn't end with the primaries, so don't give up yet. Please go out and vote one more time to insure we have an executive that will operate responsively and correctly.

Matthew Smith  
EMU Board of Directors

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