

# IFC grants funding to Federalists

After much hesitation Tuesday, the Incidental Fee Committee decided to fund the Federalist Society, a law school association racked by charges of discrimination last year during the group's officer elections.

Despite being cleared by an ASUO investigation of the group's practices, IFC had not, before

## IFC Notes

Tuesday, approved the Federalist Society's goal statement, a necessary prerequisite for funding.

Tuesday's IFC meeting went on without chairwoman Tonija Swires, who resigned April 5 citing academic and family reasons.

Before approving the Federalist Society's goal statement, IFC member Armando Morales said he would like to see the group be cleared again by ASUO investigation. Such clearance could be granted by Andy Clark, ASUO president, or Ryan Kennedy, ASUO affirmative action coordinator, Morales said.

proved as part of the Student Bar Association, an umbrella organization of law school groups.

Other SBA groups receiving funding, with dollar amounts in parentheses, included: SBA Administration (\$6,862), Black-American Law

Student Association (\$895), *The Weekly Dissent* law school newsletter (\$977), International Law Students Association (\$230), Land/Air/Water (\$6,540), Lesbian/Gay Law Student Association (\$555), Moot Court Board (\$5,385), National Lawyers' Guild (\$490), Peer Advising (\$190), Peoples' Law School (\$323) and Women's Law Forum (\$1,040).

Pillars, an SBA spousal support group, was tabled until Thursday's meeting. Phi Alpha Delta, a legal professional fraternity, was zero-funded.

In other business:

- The IFC approved a \$11,041 budget for MEChA, the chicano/latino student union. This amount was equal to both last year's budget and the ASUO recommendation.
- University Theater's request for \$19,500 was approved. This amount was equal to both the ASUO recommendation and last year's budget.
- University Song and Dance received \$345 from IFC, an amount equal to the ASUO recommendation. Song and Dance had asked for an increase to pay for new costumes; the increase was denied.
- Agreed to hear YMCA Big Brother/Big Sister Thursday despite the group's missing previous budget hearings. Big Brother/Big Sister had earlier submitted a budget for review.

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potential.

Near the end of the slides, Goodall revealed great compassion for the animals that have been central to her life's work. She told the story of the death of Melissa, whom Goodall had known for most of her stay at Gombe.

When Melissa was near death, she built a nest in a tall tree, where her children would come to visit her. Goodall stayed at the foot of the tree for much of the night before Melissa died.

"Because she taught me so much about motherhood, about patience and altruism, I felt it

was important that someone who cared about her be there, whether or not she knew I was," Goodall said.

Goodall made an impassioned plea to the audience to help in the work to save the chimpanzees from extinction in Africa and from inhumane conditions in research labs.

Chimpanzees are the closest living relative to humans, Goodall said, noting that they differ genetically from humans by only one percent.

Unfortunately, Goodall said, the same scientists who recognize the potential for primate use in biomedical research are

reluctant to admit that chimpanzees are also similar to humans in their social and intellectual makeup.

"Chimps have a sense of humor and have some kind of sense of self," Goodall said. "They share human emotions, pain, intellectual similarities we once thought unique to humans."

As she said this, the slide behind her showed a quote from one of her books that read, "Only if we understand can we care. Only if we care will we help. Only if we help shall they be saved."

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newspapers as far away as Great Britain.

The story was sensationalized in New York tabloids and on television programs such as "A Current Affair" and "Hard Copy."

Was the media responsible for Rodney Wood's death?

"The simple answer to that is no," Gleason said.

Each time a journalist reports on a person who has been caught shoplifting, for instance, that person has been harmed, he said.

The issue is to what extent the person has been harmed. Often, journalists don't face this

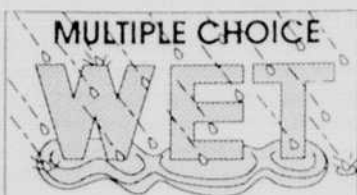
question until a death occurs, he said.

The incident, which did not require a major investigation, began as "a fairly standard, very simple matter," from the view of the Eugene Police Department, Birr said.

As the story gained national and international attention, reporters from newspapers and television and radio stations called or came to Eugene for closer inspections.

The Eugene media found the story humorous, Mortenson and Force said.

"The newsroom was filled with snickers," Force said. "Everyone was incredibly amused."



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