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was handled "very professionally and there's been great sensitivity, but that doesn't minimize the fact that (the cuts) will affect people's lives," he added.

"Our process is very much dictated to involved senior administration, and sitting in on all the (meetings of) deans are representatives of faculty," Spruill said. "Our strategy was to take as heavy a cut as possible out of administration to minimize academic (cuts)."

"It's time for action," Byrne said. "We've had too much rhetoric. I have the feeling that too many people are willing to just lay down. The animal is alive and not an animal to carve up and

be discarded."

PSU's proposed budget reductions totaling \$4.1 million include the elimination of the School of Health and Human Performance and the suspension or elimination of BA/BS and MA/MS degrees in widespread programs.

Among these proposed changes, PSU plans to:

- Eliminate the School of Health and Human Performance; preserve the Center for Public Health Studies; and eliminate BA/BS, MAT/MST, and MA/MS degrees

in Human Performance and Exercise Science.

- Suspend BA/BS degrees in Philosophy, Physics, and Health; suspend MA/MS degrees in Sociology and Political Science; and suspend the MA degree in Anthropology.

- Eliminate the BA/BS degree in Applied Science.

- Eliminate the Standard Teaching Certificate program.

- Eliminate the Operations & Materials Management Option (BA); Criminal Jus-

tice PhD Option (UPA); and Electrical Engineering Option (Systems Science).

The cuts also include the elimination of "50 instructional FTE and about 20 staff positions," said Earl Mackey, PSU vice president for development and external affairs. These faculty will be taken care of as much as possible, he added.

Suspensions of programs mean no new students will be admitted into those programs, though students currently in programs to be suspended will be allowed to complete their degree requirements, Mackey said.

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hikes or any other topic of concern in the area.

However, Fidanque warned that questioning could increase if acts of terrorism related to the Persian Gulf War begin in this country.

"If there are acts of terrorism in this country, the level of paranoia will rise, and there will be pressure on the FBI to find scapegoats," Fidanque said. "That could result in criminal investigations of those who speak out against the war."

"If you are contacted by a U.S. government agency be very sure about what you say to them. Ask if there will be questions you will be required to answer, and if so, what are they."

Lane County Commissioner Jack Roberts spoke about the anti-discrimination resolution that was recently passed unanimously by all five commissioners.

"Lane County is now clearly on record as being opposed to harassment and intimidation based on race, religion or ethnic origin," he said.

"It is important for people to remember that we are at war with an Arab country, but we are not at war with Arab people," he added.

Roberts also said he wants to hear about any instances of harassment or intimidation.

"I want to know about it if you run into these kinds of problems, because I think as a community, we're better than that."

Dr. Munir Katul, who was born in Israel and raised in Lebanon, spoke about the concerns that come with being a native of the Middle East during this time.

"Times of war are always difficult, and for Arabs now it is especially difficult," said Dr. Munir Katul, who was born in Israel and raised in Lebanon. "We all share a sense of isolation and distance from what is happening (in the Middle East)."

"There is a sense of helplessness, watching news that is censored and not knowing what to believe. I search for some balance. I try to be aware, but I don't let it immobilize me."

Katul noted that he has learned the hard way not to engage in political discussions with those who do not share his viewpoint.

"This is not the time to try and convince people of what's happening," he said. "You can try it, but the price may be high."



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