

Candidate wants accountability

By Catherine Hawley
Emerald Associate Editor

John Goodman, candidate for a two-year seat on the Incidental Fee Committee, wants to make the body more accountable for its decisions and to make student groups more accountable for the fees they receive, he said.

The best way to accomplish this aim is to keep the IFC more in the campus eye by publicizing more information about IFC hearings and about student group budgets.

"I'd like to see the *Emerald* carry a lot more ... information regarding their (IFC) decisions, the members, their votes, and outcomes," Goodman said. "I'd like to see final budgets printed for every group."

Goodman said next year's projected enrollment drop means the IFC will have to make some cuts to maintain the current level of funding for student groups. He said reducing



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or eliminating stipends for student group leaders would be the most effective and equitable way to make cuts.

"I'd like to see people doing it (directing student groups) more to benefit the group rather than for personal benefit," he said.

Goodman said he would also call on groups, especially those

that appeal to a broad range of student interests, to do more fund-raising.

However, he said he would ensure that smaller groups continue to receive stable funding.

"I think that ethnic and culturally oriented groups should be supported because that's the diversity of our campus," he said. "I'd like to see those protected."

Goodman's experience in student government includes working last fall as an ASUO tag, helping student groups prepare their budgets. "It was really an effective introduction for me to the how the budgeting process works."

Goodman, a political science major in his second year at the University, is chairman of the Greek Activities Committee and a member of the Greek Advisory Board.

He is currently an intern for Rep. Tim Jost (D-Bay City) in the state Legislature.

Three ballot measures face vote

By Carrie Dennett
Emerald Reporter

In next week's ASUO elections, students will have the opportunity to vote on three ballot measures.

Ballot measure 1

Asks if it should be an official ASUO policy to request that the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee be a permanent University Student/Faculty Committee, with a student position appointed by the ASUO president, in accordance with normal procedures for student representatives.

Currently, the IACUC is a faculty committee, with a student position appointed by the University president.

Ballot measure 2

Asks if each student should pay \$5.09 per term, (including summer term), generating about \$260,300 for unlimited bus service in the Lane Transit District Area for all registered University students for 1991-92. Law students would pay \$7.64 per student per regular semester and \$5.09 per student for summer semester.

Unlimited service means students may ride any LTD bus anywhere in Lane County, anytime, by showing the bus driver a University identification card validated for the current term.

Service would be provided between consecutive terms. For example: A fall term validated ID card would be good for riding LTD buses from the first day of fall term classes until the first day of classes for winter term.

If the measure passes, 1991-92 will be the fourth year of student funded LTD service.

Ballot measure 3

Asks for a permanent student incidental fee at 50 cents per student per term to generate about \$25,000 to help fund the University Campus Recycling Program.

The funds would be student controlled, and would supplement funds provided by the University administration and by the sale of marketable materials.

"There's not enough funding right now," said Alexandra Foote, recycling coordinator for the Survival Center. "It's running on a shoestring budget and trying to expand at the same time."

She said approval of this ballot measure will ensure future funding for student recycling and its expansion to reach all students.

City will survive Measure 5 cuts

By Hope Nealson
Emerald Reporter

Despite Measure 5 cutbacks, City Manager Mike Gleason announced Thursday that Eugene will spare most of its city service programs, and a community council will be created to aid the city in planning its 1991-92 budget.

A budget planning council, called Eugene Decisions, will give the community an opportunity to voice their opinions and concerns about the budget during planning process. This group will work with the city to decide what services the city should provide and determine how to pay for them.

"The idea is to put everything on the table and not have anybody left out of the decision-making process," said Phil Weiler, public information specialist for Eugene.

Three main areas will be affected by the budget proposal, Weiler said.

The first major impact will hit capital projects. These projects require \$12 million per year in maintaining city roads, buildings, etc. The new budget proposal will eliminate these services and provide close-to-zero funding, Weiler said.

Another area for trimming include reviewing administrative job openings, Weiler said. City executive managers will be asked to look at individual jobs and determine if they absolutely need to be filled, or if existing employees can take over job duties. By reducing personnel, the city will save money, he said.

Weiler added that the third major area for cutting corners will come from an administrative spending authority plan. This plan will have city programmers spend only 98 percent of their budget allocated to them by the city. The extra two percent will go toward balancing the city budget.

Weiler said the 1991-92

budget was hurting even before the passage of Measure 5, and existing city services cost more than tax revenues could cover.

"We had been sort of limping along through the past few years, and even if Measure 5 had not of passed, we still would have had a \$2.7 million deficit regardless," Weiler said.

This shortage of city revenues, plus Measure 5 effects, resulted in a projected budget deficit of \$5.3 million.

Gleason said most voters indicated in surveys that the reason they voted for Measure 5 was that they wanted to refinance local government so that property taxes wouldn't be relied on for funding the city's services.

But Gleason said, "You can't run (the city) on nothing, and you have to figure out a way to provide the money." He added the community will have to decide what programs they want and how they want to fund them.



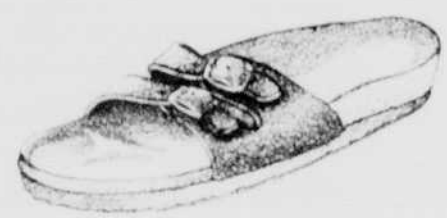
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