

Conduct code changes get hearing

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Faculty would have a greater role in determining the outcome of academic dishonesty cases under a proposed change of the Student Conduct Code. The proposal was aired at a public hearing for code amendments Tuesday.

Faculty would have this role in such cases by being appointed in place of a hearing officer to an Academic Dishonesty Hearing Board. The board would consist of five faculty members and two students, appointed by President Myles Brand and the ASUO, respectively.

The majority of people who spoke at the hearing about this proposal opposed it.

"People are laughing at the Student Conduct Code right

now as it pertains to academic-integrity cases because students who get caught cheating are let off scott-free," said Stuart Thomas, assistant head of the math department.

Marlene Drescher, director of the Office of Student Advocacy, said she believes the proposed changes would be detrimental to students' rights.

"This rule is the first rule on a slippery slope that would unravel students' due process rights and disciplinary hearings," she said. "We might as well kiss due process goodbye for students if this rule passes."

The existing conduct code suggests the faculty has a small role in enforcing guidelines, despite the fact-University faculty are responsible for establishing academic integrity expectations and guidelines.

The second proposal would allow the University adminis-

tration to impose penalties on students who failed to respond to a notice sent by the conduct code coordinator to arrange a formal hearing to resolve a minor-infraction complaint against a student.

The existing code doesn't allow resolution of minor infractions, such as cheating, when the student fails to respond to a complaint.

The third change would delete the word "significant" from the section of the code covering fire hazards. If changed, the code would read, "Tampering with fire-fighting equipment, turning in a false alarm, or engaging in behavior constitutes a fire hazard."

The hearing was held only to hear comments and a decision will be made upon further notice, said hearings officer Barbara Edwards, associate vice president of Public Affairs and Development.

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MEETINGS

Office of Student Development is having an informational meeting tonight at 7 in EMU Cedar Room F. The office will be hiring 13 students for the 1992 Student Orientation Staff. Interested students should attend.

Student Campaigns for Disarmament will have a general-interest meeting to discuss the Nevada Test Site protest today from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room E. Call 346-4248 for more information.

The Asian/Pacific American Student Union will meet tonight at 6 in the Counseling Center. Call 346-4342 for more information.

Incidental Fee Committee will meet tonight at 6 in the EMU Boardroom. Call 346-3749 for more information.

OSPIRG will have a general interest meeting tonight at 6:30 in the EMU Ben Linder Room. Call 346-4377 for more information.

Bantu will meet tonight at 5 in the Survival Center. Call 683-5289 for more information.

Students for United Nations/Model U.N. will have a mandatory meeting tonight at 5:30 in EMU Cedar Room D. Call 342-8264 for more information.

Alpha Phi Omega will meet tonight from 5:30 to 6:30 in Room 202 Chapman. Call 484-4754 for more information.

Student Health Insurance Committee will meet today at 4:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room B. Call 346-3702 for more information.

Vegetarianism will be the topic of a meeting today at 3:30 p.m. on the couches by the Survival Center. Call 346-4356 for more information.

MISCELLANEOUS

A Rally in support of Judy "Cookie" Szakacs, the hot-dog lady, will take place today at noon at the corner of 13th Avenue and Kincaid Street. Find out how you can help in her fight to remain in business.

Bad Bowling Tournament for the University Ad team will take place tonight from 7 to 10 at the EMU Rec. Center. Call 344-9894 for more information.

Oregon Institute of Marine Biology will

present a slide presentation about its spring term program tonight at 7:30 in EMU Century Room D. Call 346-5897 for more information.

Whitewater Bloopers will be shown today at 12:30 p.m. at the Outdoor Program office, EMU Room 23. Call 346-4365 for more information.

"Influence of the Media in Decision Making on Social Issues" will be the topic of a discussion tonight including Don Bishoff, Joan Powell, Carl Iybee and Alan Siporin, taking place tonight at 7 at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St. Call 346-4468 for more information.

"Lesbians and Their Money" will be the topic of the Lesbian Life Series today from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Counseling Center. Call 346-3227 for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES

Bidding for the following companies will take place today. (Call 346-3235 for more information).

- Public Interest Research Group
- K Mart Apparel
- Target Stores
- Meier and Frank
- U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census
- Atlantic Richfield Co. Alaska
- Wilderness Cruises

A Career Planning and Placement office-orientation session will take place tonight at 5:30 in Room 100 Hendricks.

A Resume writing workshop will take place today from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in Room 100 Hendricks.

A group meeting with Chevron will take place today from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Chiles Center.

A summer employment workshop will take place today from 2:30 to 3 p.m. in Room 12 Hendricks.

An Expanded Academic Index Tutorial will take place today at 2:30 p.m. at the reference desk of the Knight Library.

PRSSA Pagemaker workshop will take place tonight at 5:30 in Room 218 Allen.

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martial arts and would practice with a martial arts weapon called a bo-stick. Cook said Ryan often talked about fighting but Johnson said he never saw him behave violently.

A man who lived on Ryan's floor said he had a reputation for loud parties and extensive marijuana and hashish use. One associate said he saw Ryan snort cocaine and another said she knew he took LSD once.

Johnson disagrees. "He liked smoking dope occasionally but he wasn't into heavy drugs," he said. "Earlier in his life he'd been into heroin and that was what had caused his criminal behavior."

For that reason, Ryan limited himself to alcohol and marijuana, Johnson said.

One of Ryan's closest friends was a woman from the

same dorm as the victim. She declined to be named, fearing retribution from her floormates, but said Ryan was a generous man who cared for the safety of women.

"He would offer girls walks home or teach them self-defense and they would take him up on it," she said.

She added that Ryan had passed up several chances to have sex with women.

"I know of cases when girls were stoned and they could have been taken advantage of, but he didn't," she said.

Ryan also had quite a bit of money and was quite generous with it, she said. Sgt. Mike Cline of the Eugene police department said some of that money may have been obtained by pawning items stolen from University dorms over winter break. Cline said Ryan may have been at least in some way responsible for at least one or two burglaries in Tingle.

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