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"A progressive student government fights to make sure our education is accessible, affordable and (of high) quality," said Brian Hoop, Student Senate vice president and committee organizer.

Hoop and Steve Masat, Incidental Fee Committee budget analyst, organized the committee, which is composed of concerned members of 15 student groups. Both Hoop and Masat will be running for ASUO office, so they will not participate in SDARE endorsements.

SDARE members include members of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance, OSPIRG, Amazon Tenants Council, the International Students Association, Saferide — just to name a few.

The committee's members don't repre-

sent special interests, Hoop said. "These are average students that care about being student leaders."

While no one member can speak for the entire committee, Gretchen Haber of OSPIRG offered her reason for getting involved with SDARE.

"I'd like to see accountability in student government," Haber said. "I also think the (hearings) are a forum for discussion about the roles of these different (ASUO) offices."

"My number one concern is commitment to student participation on this campus through student groups," Haber said.

SDARE organizers hope that the endorsement process will prevent candidates from claiming "progressive" agendas lightly, and will instill a sense of accountability among elected student offi-

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cial. "We believe that the endorsement process will at least prove that the candidates are aware of progressive goals and

that they are taking their jobs seriously," Hoop said.

In this capacity, SDARE's mission is very similar to a group that disbanded a few years ago, Students for a Progressive Agenda.

A big concern in this year's election will be student fees. Masat, who is running for the IFC, said that the key to his "progressive" philosophy toward student fees is "acknowledging the difference between increasing access and diversity and increasing fees."

The committee will hold endorsement hearings for interested candidates tonight at 7:30 in EMU Century Room A. There will also be a general interest meeting Thursday, April 9 in EMU Century Room A.

Contact Brian Hoop at 346-3724 for further information.



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VAN

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procedures to be followed in case of accident or emergency (OAR 571-10-120).

Besides requiring that all drivers of motor vehicles on University business have a valid driver's license, the new rules specify that all drivers of state-owned vans receive one hour of van training before being cleared to drive a state van.

The rules also propose that University departments submit the names and driver's license numbers of prospective student drivers annually to the Office of Public Safety.

OPS would determine the eligibility of proposed drivers based on criteria outlined in the new rules, including previous driving record, and would issue cards certifying those who qualify to drive on University business.

A similar drivers' clearance procedure for prospective faculty and staff drivers, with departments submitting names and driver's license numbers every three years, is included in the draft rules.

When travel of more than 200 miles in one day is planned, the proposed rules require the driver to see that at least one other passenger is certified to drive and acts as a relief driver.

All vehicles owned or leased by the University — except buses, motorcycles and scooters — must be equipped with seat belts for each person. In addition, drivers will be expected to make sure that their vehicle contains an emergency kit.

As weather and road conditions dictate, state-owned or -hired vehicles would carry tire chains or other approved traction devices. Operators of privately owned vehicles used on University business would be encouraged to supply chains or other traction devices.

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This stance drew criticism from some legislators last year, including State Rep. John Minnis, R-Portland.

Minnis had also questioned the use of seven state vans by 100 University students in January 1991 to attend a San Francisco peace rally during the Persian Gulf War.

The hearing will be held on Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the EMU Walnut Room. The hearing officer will be Muriel Jackson, retired assistant vice president for administration.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for public viewing during regular business hours in the offices of the President, Vice President for Administration, University Senate President, ASUO, Director of Human Resources, and the Director of Public Safety. They are also available in the reserve section of the Knight Library, 1501 Kincaid St.

Written comments may be submitted before 5 p.m. Wednesday to the Office of the Vice President for Administration in Room 202 Johnson Hall. Written or oral comments may also be presented at the hearing.

After the public hearing and the closing of the comment period, Vice President for Administration Dan Williams will evaluate public comments and all available information. The new rules will take effect only after permanent filing with the Secretary of State's Office.

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has decided to use this same formulation of questions.

"The University of Oregon doesn't have the capabilities to handle a survey of this nature," Fleischli said. "They're well-trained at the University of Nebraska to do this survey."

The University of Nebraska has a list of 600 names and phone numbers to contact. They were not given addresses of the students and the information given by the students is completely confidential.

The answers given by the participants were put into a computer and no record of the participants' names or phone numbers is kept, Fleischli said.

Students are obviously not obligated to participate in the survey, but health center medical administrator Bob Petit strongly encourages everyone who is called to take part.

"This is a very legitimate and important survey that will help us better understand the health-risk behaviors," Petit said. "By identifying health-risk behavior areas, we can then evolve some programs to meet the needs of the students," Petit said.

The survey takes about half an hour to complete and the personal behavior questions will target areas of illegal drug use, sexual activity, smoking, stress, nutrition and illness and health issues.

The results of the survey should return to the health center by the middle of May, Petit said.

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MEETINGS

Incidental Fee Committee will meet tonight at 5:30 in the EMU Board Room to hear budgets for Constitution Court, Men Against Rape, Sister University Project and the EMU.

Non-traditional student coffee hour will be Wednesday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. outside the Women's Center.

Pre-Law Society will meet tonight at 7:30 in EMU Cedar Room C.

American marketing association will have an information meeting tonight at 6 in Room 228 Chiles.

Unwanted Sexual Behavior International Issue meeting will be today at 3:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room E.

Druids will meet tonight at 5:30 in EMU Cedar Room C.

Student Senate will meet tonight at 5:30 in EMU Cedar Room D.

Pi Gamma Mu will meet tonight at 6 in EMU Century Room E.

Student government candidate meeting will be tonight at 7 in Room 238 Gilbert.

Sister University Project will meet today at 5 p.m. in EMU Suite 1.

College Democrats will meet tonight at 7 in EMU Century Room B.

Amnesty International will meet tonight at 7:30 in EMU Cedar Room A.

OSPIRG chapter meeting will be today at 4 p.m. at the Koinonia Center. There will also be a Hunger Clean-up meeting at 5:30 at the Koinonia Center.

MISCELLANEOUS

U.S./Japan Business Seminar will be tonight from 7 to 9 in the EMU Fir Room.

Endorsement hearings by Students for Diversity, Access and Renewal in Education will be tonight at 7:30 in EMU Century Room C.

Lesbian, gay, bisexual and still Catholic will be the topic of a discussion today from 1 to 3 p.m. in the EMU Ben Linder Room.

Conversation and coffee with Cynthia Wooten, Democratic candidate for House District 41 will be today at 4 p.m. in Room 303 Chapman.

"Humor and Healing" with Aileen Trainer will be tonight at 7 at the Chelsea House, 1851 Onyx St.

Willamette Aids Council spokesman Doug DeWitt will be speaking to the Baptist Student Union tonight at 7 at the Cascade/Central Associations Mission Center, 2520 Harris St.

OPPORTUNITY

Applying to medical school will be the topic of a workshop by a representative from the Oregon Health Sciences University School of Medicine who will discuss recent admission patterns. The workshop will be tonight at 5 in Room 310 Willamette.

Free cholesterol screening will be today from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in the Health Education Office of the Student Health Center.

China Careers Seminar will be today from 4 to 6 p.m. in EMU Room 20 B.

A tax workshop for international students and faculty will be today from noon to 2 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room C.