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Masat challenges IFC's authority to remove him

□ OPS officer removes Masat, supporters and spectators from meeting after heated discussion

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Ousted Incidental Fee Committee Chairman Steve Masat and his supporters disrupted Monday's meeting of the IFC, forcing the committee to ask campus security to clear the room of all spectators except news media and those waiting to conduct official business.

After Masat and supporter Jason Moore, associate editor of the *Student Insurgent*, would not submit to the chair's authority, acting Chairwoman Lydia Lerma asked Office of Public Safety Officer Otis Scarborough to clear the room.

"I'm not going to be quiet," Moore said. "This is a fucking fraud."

Masat also refused to be orderly, and repeated that he was still a committee member and would speak loudly to retain his position.

"I am in office," Masat said. "I just read five pages of rules that say I am, and we can take turns trying to shout each other down if you want."

Lerma said she would not try to speak louder than anyone in the room to conduct committee business and sent an ASUO representative to fetch OPS.

Jackie Gibson, ASUO mediation director, who attended the meeting to have the Mediation Program's budget approved, attempted to help the committee and Masat work out their differences, but neither party was willing to compromise.



Photo by Anthony Forney

University Office of Public Safety Officer Otis Scarborough (left) tells former Incidental Fee Committee Chairman Steve Masat (right) to leave Monday's IFC meeting as current IFC member Anne Wagoner and Jian Lu, who will be on the committee next year, look on.

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Courtesy photo

Blues musician Curtis Salgado, who struggled with drugs and alcohol, will perform Wednesday for Alcohol Awareness Week.

Bluesman plays it clean and sober

□ Curtis Salgado will perform as part of Alcohol Awareness Week

By Sarah Clark
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Blues artist Curtis Salgado will perform "unplugged" with drummer Jeff Miniweather and guitarist Terry Robb Wednesday afternoon on the EMU East Lawn.

Salgado and company will play from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. as part of Alcohol Awareness Week.

Student Health Center educator Annie Dochnahl said Salgado was selected to perform partly because he has struggled with drugs and alcohol.

Five years ago this October, Salgado checked himself into a drug rehabilitation center. He'd been awake for four days doing cocaine, he said, when he finally realized how out of control he was.

"My life was on a treadmill," Salgado said. "I could see where I was headed. I knew I wouldn't be alive if I kept doing it."

Salgado, now in his mid-30s, had been drinking and doing drugs since he was 13.

"You name it, I took it," he said. "I was basically a toxic waste dump."

Things got so bad that if Salgado went a day or two without drinking, alcohol withdrawals would make him vomit.

His band members called him a drunk; Salgado denied it. Finally, on Oct. 9, 1988, he realized he was killing himself and checked into the rehab center.

"I had two kinds of hepatitis, my liver was five times bigger than it was supposed to be, and I had bleeding ulcers," Salgado said.

After a 28-day program, Salgado emerged clean and sober. He said he hasn't touched drugs or alcohol since.

But it hasn't been easy.

"You look at someone having a beer on a hot day, and damn, you want it," Salgado said. "But I order a Diet Coke instead."

Salgado said he has a hard time being around people who drink, especially when they get drunk.

"If I have to excuse myself from a party, I will," he said.

But watching others get drunk sometimes provides inspiration.

"I think, God, I used to be like that," Salgado said.

WEATHER

The weather should be cooling off today. Forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a 40 percent chance of showers. Highs near 70 degrees.

Today in History

One year ago Jay Leno made his debut as permanent host of NBC's *Tonight Show*, succeeding Johnny Carson.

BRAND TO STAY PUT

University President Myles Brand withdrew his name Monday from consideration for chancellor of the University of Wisconsin at Madison, citing a lack of a "good match."

Brand, who confirmed last week that he was being considered for the position, interviewed and visited the campus Monday and said issued a statement from the Wisconsin-Madison campus.

"I met today with President Lyall and others from the University of Wisconsin system," Brand said. "During these discussions, it became clear that there was not a good match. Thus, I withdrew from the search for the Wisconsin-Madison chancellorship."

SPORTS

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) - If he's ever going to beat Michael Jordan, Lenny Wilkens will have to do it with a new team.

Wilkins, the second-winningest coach in NBA history, quit the Cleveland Cavaliers on Monday, exactly one week after yet another playoff failure against Jordan and the Chicago Bulls.

The Cavaliers made the playoffs five times during Wilkins' seven years as coach. Four of those times, they were ousted by the Bulls.

"It's been a great seven years here with the Cavaliers," the 55-year-old Wilkins said in a prepared statement.

"However, I think it's time to move on."