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Bowen faces court scrutiny over decisions at hearings

Hearings: ASUO President's actions to be reviewed today

By Edward Klopfenstein
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ASUO President Eric Bowen will be the focus of several Constitution Court hearings today, many of which question the constitutionality of Bowen's decisions.

Hearings start at 1 p.m. in Room 121 of the Law Center, according to the court.

In *Barnhart v. Bowen*, which starts at 1 p.m., Todd Barnhart is asking the court to censure Bowen for withholding Barnhart's application to the University Child and Family Services Committee.

Bowen told the *Emerald* earlier that he purposely held Barnhart's application because "Barnhart doesn't represent the University population," he said.

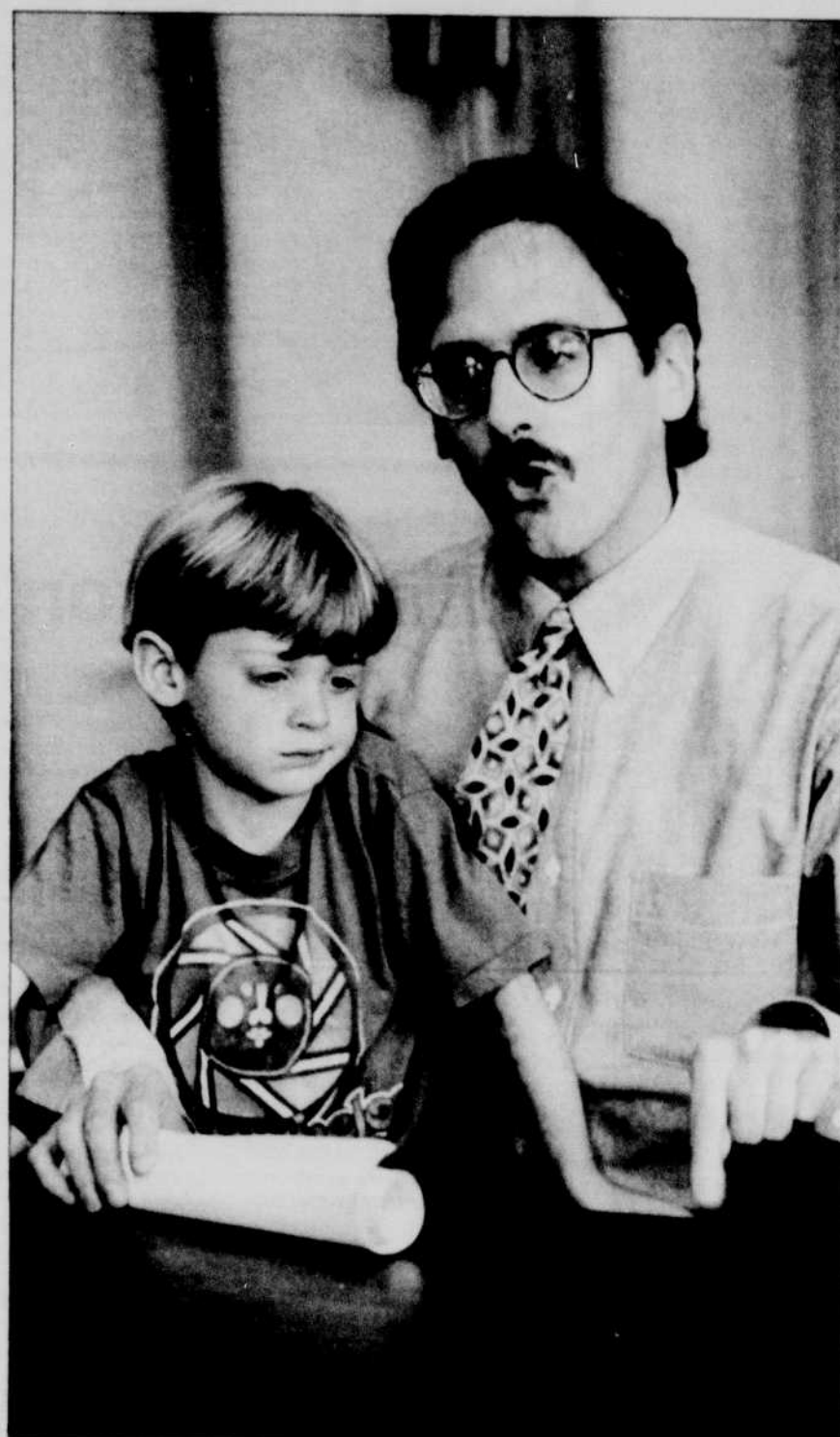
Bowen alleges that he is under no obligation to forward applications to the Student Senate for approval. Approved applications go from the Senate to Bowen and then University President Myles Brand for further approval.

Barnhart, who previously served on the committee as well as another child care committee at Portland State University, contends it is Bowen's responsibility to submit all applications, and because he didn't fulfill it, Bowen violated the ASUO Constitution.

In *Carson v. Bowen*, Ed Carson, editor of the *Commentator*, asks if Bowen can place a ballot measure before students asking them to interpret the constitution.

Carson is also asking the court whether Ballot Measure 2, which would allow current two-year Incidental Fee Committee members and Student Senate members to be on next year's revised Student Senate, is non-binding and whether the ASUO Executive can delegate its appointment authority to students via a ballot measure.

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Student parent Todd Barnhart speaks to the IFC on Monday in support of a \$15,000 special request, which would correct a shortfall in the ASUO child care subsidy program. Barnhart and his son Jesse, 5, came to the meeting with about 40 other students and family members.

Child care gets \$15,000 loan from IFC

Shortfall: Too many families qualify for child care subsidies

By Amy Columbo
Oregon Daily Emerald

Two-year-old Michael McNulty and his seven-month-old sister Megan were among the group of almost 40 children and their parents who crowded into the tension-ridden Incidental Fee Committee meeting Monday night.

The parents and children came before the committee to support a special request for \$15,000, to be taken from the incidental fee surplus account, to fund a shortfall in ASUO child care subsidy money for the current 1993-94 year.

The IFC allocated \$15,000 by the close of the meeting; however, it was not in the form which ASUO child care representatives requested. The IFC voted to fund the shortfall with a loan from the ASUO, which is due July 1, 1994.

The ASUO Child Care Task Force currently grants subsidies to student parents to help offset the costs of child care. The loan will finance the current level of subsidies through the end of spring term. "At least we can cover May," task force chairwoman Carmen Bender said.

Prior to the meeting, continued subsidies for the current year were in jeopardy, as the task force over-spent its budget to provide subsidies.

"I'm not for cutting child care on this campus at all; however, what just happened tonight is that the IFC bailed out the Child Care Task Force," IFC member Shannon Wall said.

"Dennis Reynolds is the person who in my eyes screwed up," Wall said.

The subsidy shortfall is due in part to an error in projections, said EMU Child Care Coordinator Dennis Reynolds, who said he was working with incomplete data when assessing the budget of the task force. "I'm not trying to duck the part that I played in making some wrong projections."

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GOOD MORNING

► PORTLAND (AP) — You might say Steven Wade Hamilton had a taste for jewelry, and change for a quarter.

Multnomah County sheriff's deputies were called Friday to a suburban Fred Meyer store, where employees accused Hamilton of stealing a marquise bridal set diamond ring valued at \$2,299.

Sheriff's deputy Steve Phillips thought Hamilton had swallowed the ring and the suspect was taken to a hospital for X-rays.

After reviewing the X-rays, the hospital staff confirmed that Hamilton had several foreign objects in his stomach, including what appeared to be the stolen ring.

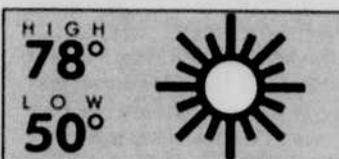
Hamilton, 32, was taken to the Multnomah County Detention Center, where he was held

on robbery and criminal mischief charges.

On Sunday, a jailer told Phillips that Hamilton had passed two dimes, a nickel and a \$160 ring that still had the Fred Meyer price tag attached. No bridal ring showed up, however.

Later Sunday, Hamilton was taken to the hospital complaining of intense abdominal pains. An X-ray showed that the ring was inside Hamilton's bowels. Authorities still were waiting Monday for the opportunity to seize the stolen ring.

► DALLAS (AP) — Scientists scanning the Sunday funny papers say they came across a formula for destruction in the educational comic strip aimed at children, "You Can with Beakman & Jax."



They said a simple-looking experiment could blow up in kids' faces. The cartoonist said it was highly unlikely.

The comic showed a 9-volt battery sending energy through two wires to separate water molecules in an overturned jar. It carried a cautionary note to use a low-power battery and make certain no other electrical wires were put in the water.

This is the first time an experiment's safety has been questioned, said Alan McDermott, Universal Press Syndicate managing editor.

Venezuelan anthropologist teaching University course

Advocate: Spring term professorship awarded

By Jamie Bails
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

In a strange twist of fate, noted anthropologist Nelly Arvelo-Jimenez has come to the University to teach students about the indigenous people of Amazonia.

In her home of Venezuela, Arvelo-Jimenez is persecuted by the press and considered to be a "troublemaker in political circles and as an advocate of backwardness for defending the rights of people who are important only as obstacles to economic development," she said.

Arvelo-Jimenez was awarded the Carlton Raymond and

Wilberta Ripley Savage Professorship of International Relations and Peace for spring term.

As a member of the international studies faculty, Arvelo-Jimenez is teaching an undergraduate course, "Constitutional Rights and Human Rights: The Indigenous Peoples of Amazonia" and the graduate course, "Environmentalism and Indigenous Rights in Latin America."

The classes examine the cultures and societies of the Amazon people. She is teaching students about the struggle for government recognition and land rights.

"My work is infiltrating in

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