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ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

Frank Geltner, EMU associate director and University program consultant, said one of the advantages of the new, larger Senate is that its members will not be as easily manipulated by special interests as was the IFC. "Over my 17 years, the seven [IFC members] always fell along certain issues and I don't think that's going to be quite as easy," said Geltner.

Fisher said the individual programs will rely on three finance senators to rally support for their budget allocation in the full Senate. The programs will not address the full Senate unless a special meeting is called.

"In a sense it's unfair to the ASUO programs because in the past the programs came in front of the body who is responsible for making the decision," Fisher said of the IFC. Now programs present their budget requests to the finance committee, which makes only a recommendation.

Sen. John Howe said he will personally work to decrease the incidental fee this year, if only by a few dollars.

Howe is set to face student groups asking for more money. Groups can look for other ways to find money, rather than "just leeching off the system," he said.

Howe will base his support for such increases on the performance of the organization the previous year.

REVISING THE RULES

Fisher rewrote the ASUO Student Senate rules this summer. Although the ASUO Constitution

specified many of the new Senate responsibilities, its internal regulations were rendered obsolete by the restructuring and needed revision. By Nov. 1, the Senate must approve its rules.

One of the proposed changes includes the creation of two new positions, a Senate ombudsman and a public relations officer. The ombudsman will be responsible for scheduling and staffing grievance tables in the EMU. The tables serve as a forum for students to come to senators with complaints.

The public relations officer will distribute any information on the Senate and maintain an Internet folder that includes Senate minutes, a membership list and meeting notices.

Fisher included in the new rules one significant change over the old IFC's allocation process that has met with resistance from other senators and that he does not expect to be ratified.

The rules would prevent zero-funded programs from asking for special requests until the following year's regular process. A zero-funded program is one which has been penalized with a budget containing no money during the normal funding fee process.

Fisher uses Amazon Community Tenants as an example of this change. In a zero-funded program it put in a request this summer for full incidental-fee funding for the 1994-95 year. The issue was not debated because Amazon Community Tenants failed to attend the summer meeting. "If somebody isn't capable of turning in a budget," Fisher said, "why should they be able to go before the Senate and try it again?"

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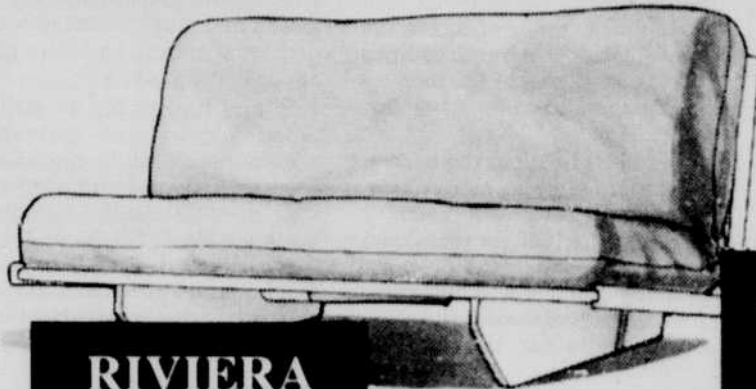
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