

Budget-conscious PFC grants small increases to programs

FUNDING: Four student groups receive funding for next year, although none receive their full request

By Doug Irving
Student Activities Reporter

The Program Finance Committee allocated \$105,623 to the Women's Center Monday, representing a 6.06 percent increase but falling short of the group's request. PFC members recognized that the center had made good use of their funds and had "done a pretty respectable job with their budget," according to PFC member Chris Kantrowitz.

"They're out of money," said

PFC member Sean Martin. "It seems like they're spending all their money."

"We worked very hard on this budget to keep it within the [PFC's 7 percent] benchmark," said Edwina Welch, director of the Women's Center. The center had requested \$106,484 because previous budgets had been insufficient.

"We have found it almost impossible to function with the budget we were given last year," said Bonnie Kantes, the office coordinator for the Women's Center. "We feel we need to get a little more programming money in order to do what we set out to do."

The PFC also budgeted \$29,639 to the Sexual Abuse Support Center, although student fees only fund a portion of the program. Other funding

comes from the community and donations.

The PFC was hesitant to go beyond the benchmark they had set and funded the program for a 7 percent increase although the group had requested a 17.3 percent increase.

"If this group had come in at the beginning [of PFC hearings] they would've done just fine," Kantrowitz said. "Now we're at the end where each and every person is worried with numbers. I mean, we dug our own hole."

However, other PFC members said the cuts were not commentaries on the programs themselves but were merely part of the budget process.

"We support your program," PFC Chairwoman Susan Anderson said. "A lot of people take it personally when we start cutting numbers, but this is just num-

WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES

The 7-member ASUO Programs Finance Committee, which includes three student senators, will recommend how incidental fees are allocated to student groups next year.

ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT	% CHANGE FROM 1994-95
UWAH	\$300	no previous budget
SASS	\$29,639	+7.00
Women's Center	\$105,623	+6.06
Amnesty International	\$561	+21.00

Money given this week: \$136,123
Money given to date: \$1,427,440

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bers."

The United Women of Asian Heritage also received a \$300 lump sum allocation, representing their first program budget. The group, which was modeled after the Black Women of Achievement program, provides

"a community where [Asian women] can support each other," UWAH Director Miyaku Taguchi said.

Amnesty International received a 21 percent increase, although they had requested a 256.29 percent increase.

Campus organization helps to register 12 million youths

VOTE: Students with registering questions or problems can get help at OSPIRG tables this week

By Jennifer Carter
Student Activities Editor

November's Presidential election could be a student election if OSPIRG has its way.

OSPIRG is currently registering students for the fall election in order to make sure that a national registration goal of 12 million 18 to 24-year-old voters is met.

This goal was recently set by Youth Vote '96, a non-partisan organization created to encourage student voting and voter education. Campus Youth Vote '96 organizations include OSPIRG, the ASUO and Campus Green Vote.

Sadie Rogers, co-chapter chairwoman of OSPIRG said her group is working on voter registration now in order to gear up for the fall.

"It's kind of a build up," she said. "Everyone's just building up for November."

OSPIRG will be sponsoring a voter registration table throughout the week so students can register and have elections-relat-

ed questions answered, Rogers said.

"The ballots just came out, and for the people who didn't get their ballots we're here to find out why," she said. "If you have any questions at all, if you've changed your name because you're married, the people at the table know how to handle it."

Students who have recently moved or want to change their party affiliation should also re-register, she said.

Rogers said students who did register to vote and did not receive ballots in the last election should also stop by the table.

"They should re-register and it can solve the problem," she said.

This week's event is only the first part of the voter-education process, Rogers said. OSPIRG's higher education committee will continue to sponsor events as the election date approaches.

"We're just starting to get people aware of voting," she said.

Students who have election-related questions or wish to register to vote can do so at OSPIRG's table in the EMU lobby throughout the week from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Nuclear Impact: Lifton says US should learn from past bombings

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refused to consider ending the war until Atomic weapons had been tested, Lifton said.

The United States government invested so much time and money in Atomic weapons that Lifton said he believes then President Harry Truman was afraid not to use them.

"The Atomic bomb prolonged rather than shortened the war," he said. "It delayed the possibility of a negotiated surrender."

In addition, the potential for mass destruction created by the bombs gave Truman a power surge. He wanted to flout United States' military capabilities to the Soviet Union, Lifton said.

This created an atrocity building situation that should be recognized in retrospect to avoid committing similar mistakes in the future, Lifton added.

Lifton claimed Americans became captives of the Nuclear age as a result of the bombings.

"[Americans] developed an exaggerated dependence on

nuclear weapons to the point of seeing them as keeping the world going," Lifton said. "We knew we had the technology to virtually destroy all life on earth."

In addition, the fear of nuclear power and its waste created a fatalistic mentality, in which Americans began to doubt the survival of humankind, he said.

Cults developed and popular arts and music began preaching feelings of hopelessness, he said.

Fifty years later, both the United States and Japan are still experiencing the aftermath of the Atomic bomb, Lifton said. In addition to physical harm, the people of Nagasaki and Hiroshima must live with psychological consequences, and the United States is still coming to terms with accepting responsibility for the damage, he said, and Americans must realize the consequences of nuclear power.

"These are not weapons, they are genocidal devices and we should learn this from Hiroshima and Nagasaki," Lifton said.

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F 13:00-14:50 116 ESL
4/5, 4/19, 5/3, 5/24, 5/31

SOCIOLOGY

SOC 410 CRN 34777
H 18:00-19:50 189 PLC
4/3, 4/17, 5/1, 5/22, 5/29

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H 13:00-14:50 216 ALL
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MGMT 410 CRN 33472
M 15:00-16:50 127 CHI
4/1, 4/15, 4/29, 5/20, 5/27

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