

PFC approves four student budgets

By Dana Williams
Multicultural Issues Reporter

The Programs Finance Committee approved four increases for 1997-98 budgets for ASUO-funded groups in last night's budget hearing.

The Land Air Water (LAW) group received an increase of 6.9 percent from the Programs Finance Committee (PFC). LAW, which is an environmental research group sponsored by the Law Center, requested an increase to enhance their yearly Environmental Law Conference. The PFC allocated \$8,703 to the group. Last year they received \$8,138.

The Singapore Student Association (SSA) received \$3,068 for their 1997-98 budget. The PFC gave the group a 2.7 percent increase from their current budget of \$3,000. SSA members said they planned to work next year to help

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Groups receiving increases for their 1997-98 budget:

ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT	% CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR
Land Air Water	\$8,703	+6.9%
Singapore Students Association	\$3,068	+2.27%
LGBT	\$10,196	+5%
Oregon Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Educational and Support Services Program	\$14,856	+9%

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students from Singapore adjust to the University environment.

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance (LGBA) received \$10,196, a 5 percent increase from their current budget. The group is working to update their literature to reflect their proposed name change from the LGBA to the LGBT. The group's 1996-97 budget was \$9,822.

The Oregon Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Educational and Support Services Program was given \$14,856 as requested. The budget is a 9 percent increase from their current budget of \$13,599.

The program, which has a full-time employee working on these issues, is one of thirty across the country.

Journalism to be added to UO Mentor Program

■ **EVENT:** Students from the business and journalism schools met with mentors to discuss future career plans

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Twenty-three University students from the Lundquist College of Business and the School of Journalism and Communication met with alumni mentors in the Knight Library Browsing Room on Tuesday to discuss their future career plans.

Mentor-View, a pilot program, was developed this year as a way to integrate the School of Journalism and Communication into the Mentor Program and also combine the fields of business and journalism.

"We wanted the Business School involved with Mentor-View because they have more experience in the program, and there are many areas that overlap between business and journalism," Jenny Haliski, assistant coordinator of the Mentor Program, said.

Speaking at Mentor-View were Bob Beban, general manager for the Eugene Emeralds baseball team; Ed Bergerson, marketing administrator for Lane Transit District; and David Funk, president of Funk and Associates Marketing Communications.

They spoke about their early working experiences, people they

had as mentors and skills they look for when hiring college graduates.

"Sales is the number one skill needed in almost any industry," Beban said. "You need to be able to sell yourself, as well as market and sell a product."

All three speakers agreed that utilizing the resources available on campus makes students better candidates for employers and helps their transition to full-time jobs.

"Taking advantage of the resources at the Career Center, the Mentor Program and the Alumni Association makes the transition from college student to college graduate a lot easier," Bergerson said.

The students met individually with mentors who were selected for them through career interest forms they filled out prior to the event.

"I came to Mentor-View to develop my people skills and meet with individuals of similar career interests," said Christopher Radford, a junior business major who will be interning with Nike for the second time this summer.

In the Mentor Program, there are now nine departments that have programs set up to match students with mentors of similar career interests.

The Mentor Program can arrange alumni mentors for students of all majors. For more information, contact the Mentor Program at 346-6021.

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