

Tuana: Journal needs new staff

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and, to a lesser but still important extent, abroad," said philosophy graduate student Will Cowling.

When Hypatia first began, only 10 percent of doctorates and philosophers were women, Tuana said. It was very difficult to get published, so Hypatia was designed to change that. Now 25 percent of doctorates and philosophers are women, but "it's still very hard to get work published," she said.

The journal is a non-profit way of helping women get published.

It will be funded by the College of Arts and Sciences, the Center for the Study of Women and Society and the humanities, philosophy and English departments, Tuana said.

"We're getting incredible support from the University," she added.

A new staff will be hired to help out with publication at the University, Tuana said. In about a month, applications will be circulated for interested GTFs.

"The faculty, and most espe-

cially the grad students in philosophy, are very excited to have Hypatia here," Cowling said. "It provides another good reason to pursue an advanced degree in philosophy at the University of Oregon."

Tuana has written two books and edited a number of anthologies, which means she won't be stepping into something she doesn't know how to handle.

"I'll be working at Hypatia half time, and I'll be teaching half time," she said. "I'm going to stop sleeping."

Elmer: Council votes to hire facilitator

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work to recruit an assistant city manager would be lost if she could not go ahead with the hiring.

"I hate to see us sort of stop [in the hiring process]," she said.

Councilwoman Betty Taylor said Elmer should continue to do her job as she is supposed to unless something changes.

Several council members were concerned that none of them had met or been informed of a select candidate and that they would have no chance to meet the person before he was hired.

No further comment was made on the issue.

In addition, the council voted 6-2 to hire a facilitator for the city manager evaluation process. David Corey, a licensed psychologist from Lake Oswego, was selected to complete a written report of the

evaluation by March 5.

Councilman Ken Tollenaar read a portion of a letter from Corey stating he had done similar evaluations of city managers in Gresham and Vancouver, Wash. Torrey suggested Corey be brought to Eugene to discuss the review with City Council members.

Prior to the decision to hire a facilitator, Taylor proposed that council members write evaluations of Elmer and compare them with each other's and with Elmer's. Taylor said Elmer could write her own evaluation and share it with the council.

The motion was seconded by council member Scott Meisner but was later rejected by the council 6-2.

"I think it would be helpful to have someone work with us through the process," Swanson Gribkov said.

Senate: Court justice faces special hearing

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debt service each year and unexpected costs often arise.

"It's a patch-and-fix game," she said. "This building is old and there's a lot of needs we can't fund. We're drowning."

The EMU renovation has hurt the building's revenue. The board expects to have a \$100,000 deficit at the end of this year, Guevara said, but next year's revenue should pay off the debt.

The Senate did approve \$25,000 from its regular surplus account, 13-3. The money will fund a fire sprinkler system in the EMU basement, enabling the ASUO Multicultural Center to begin construction to level the floor. The Senate now has about \$75,000 left in its surplus account.

The Senate also decided to recommend a \$50,000 allocation from the Overrealized Fund for a new air conditioning system in the computer lab. That recom-

mendation will be forwarded to the ASUO Executive today, and Miner said he will sign it. The recommendation then goes to University President Dave Frohnmayer.

Senators debated several times whether to put the requests on spring ballot measures. All funding would be student money anyway, Senator Mike Price said, and he voted to fund the sprinkler system and the air conditioner.

The Senate also decided to hold a special hearing on an ASUO Constitution Court Justice to decide if he is fulfilling his duties. If the Senate decides he is not, it will hire two new justices to fill that seat and the now open fifth seat.

This places the court in a precarious spot because of the grievance filed against the ASUO president and vice president. The grievance was filed in relation to the lack of a fifth member, and the court wants a fifth member to

make its decision. With the involvement of the ASUO Executive in nominating a fifth justice, this poses a "circular paradox," Corcoran said.

The court will hold a meeting on Saturday to decide how to proceed in this situation.

"The thing we don't want to do is push this hearing to next term," Chief Justice Joel Corcoran said.

That may mean holding the hearings with only three justices, he said, and that is legal.

Additionally, the University Senate turned down a motion to reconsider the add-drop deadline extension at its meeting Wednesday afternoon. The Senate also brought up a motion to discuss the construction of the Riverfront Research Park near the banks of the Willamette River. In November, 111 University faculty members signed a petition against the construction. The Senate will vote on the motion at its meeting next month.

NEWS BRIEFS

BPA spending plan gets mixed reviews

SPOKANE — Rural public utility managers on Wednesday welcomed a proposal to cut the Bonneville Power Administration's budget by \$159 million, saying the step is needed to keep the federal power-marketing agency competitive in an era of deregulation.

But advocates for conservation and renewable energy who spoke at a public hearing cautioned against cutting too much. They warned that the BPA would be ignoring its traditional role as an advocate for energy conservation if it adopts a proposed freeze in spending for energy-efficiency programs.

"Don't abandon what you're already doing well," said Bill Arthur, the Sierra Club's Northwest regional director. "Too many of the proposals simply shred the fabric of the BPA's core mission."

About 50 people attended the second of three hearings on a proposal to prepare the BPA for an era in which the agency must compete with private utilities.

The cuts are aimed at reducing BPA's rates and attracting more customers before 2001, when 90 percent of its sales contracts are set to expire.

An 11-person panel commissioned by the BPA and the Northwest Power Planning Council last month released draft recommendations that would cut 6.9 percent of the BPA's \$2.3 billion annual budget.

Managers of three rural utilities told panel members Wednesday that they may turn to other sources for long-term power contracts unless the BPA shows it can control costs and reduce financial risks. Many BPA customers have complained for decades that the agency is inefficient.

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