

LETTERS

Find worthy issue

I would first like to apologize to Scott Austin from myself, and I believe on behalf of the entire Senate, that he feels that he was not treated with respect.

The following paragraphs are my opinion and do NOT necessarily reflect those of my fellow senators.

As I told Scott at the Senate meeting he referred to, I think it's great that he is actively involved in students' issues. However, I believe that if Scott really wants to pursue changes, he should find some other more worthy issue than to try to impeach our executive officers for their appointment procedures (which to the best of my knowledge are completely legal). If it is his opinion that people should be impeached every time they do something he doesn't agree with, then we would have a new student government every week.

As for why Scott feels he wasn't treated with respect, I can speculate on many reasons for why he might have gotten that impression. When you come before a body of STUDENTS (sometimes I think Scott forgets that once you are elected to office that doesn't mean you are no longer a student) and make a comparison between our student government and one that is run by white supremacists, you might expect that the group be surprised, and yes, a little offended. Then to go on to state that this could happen to us because it has happened to schools "a lot better than ours," you can definitely expect that group of students to be taken aback.

As a senator, I am obliged to

listen to the arguments of all students whether I agree with them or not, and I have done this.

As a student and a human being, I would have responded to your arguments in a much different manner. In fact, I think a quote from "Billy Madison" states best how I as a student feel: "What you just said makes absolutely no sense, has nothing to do with the question, and we are now dumber for having listened to your answer. You do not receive the points, and may God have mercy on your soul."

As for your threats, I think it is rather presumptuous for you to assume that your opinion reflects those of the entire student body.

Michael Price
Business administration

Right to judge exists

Brian Whaley (ODE, Feb. 26) emphasized the importance of responding to my letter (ODE, Feb. 25) when it appears in "our newspaper." His statement seems to imply that this newspaper is somehow linked to his viewpoints and I am outside of "our." Liberals represent only about one-third of the population, yet constantly refer to conservatives as out of the mainstream and on some hateful, prejudiced fringe. If this is true, then how did the conservative Republican Party end up with two-thirds of the governors, control of the U.S. Congress and most state legislatures, including Oregon's? The other problem with Whaley's exclusive "our" is that I have a Master of Science degree of the University of Oregon and many of the students on this campus are Christians and conservatives. The University and the Emerald are not the exclu-

sive domain of liberals. I was in SDS and the draft resistance and even started a chapter of Abbie Hoffman's Yippies. I lived in the 1960s and narrowly escaped the opportunity to go to prison for it a couple times. The '60s were over several decades ago, and it is time that the University of Oregon got over it. Whaley asserts from his minority position that few will agree with me, thus claiming most of the student body is pro-feminist, pro-homosexual liberals.

Whaley referred to "viable Christian faith" and Annie Abiner (ODE, Feb. 26) was saddened, angered and thought it unthinkable for a practicing Christian to have these views. Any atheist understands the choice is between a Creator, God-given absolutes and a situation in which it is all up to us. Liberals, on the fringe of belief, want a blend between the two so they can be more correct in the eyes of society. None have the authority to redefine the Creator or his word. That is not viable faith. God absolutely discriminates against sin and the unrepentant sinner and it isn't my judgment Abiner is called to warn about.

Society inevitably passes judgment over the appropriateness of behavior. As some seek to change our society, the rest of us have a right and duty to engage those change agents in a public dialogue and contend for the character of our society through our legislatures and the initiative process. It is hypocritical for liberals to react to this dialogue and competition with such intolerance and apparently ineffective given the current direction of society politically.

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