

# DDS requests additional funding on ballot

*If approved, surplus funds will be allocated to the driving service*

By Jason George  
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Editor's note: Students will be voting on six measures during the spring elections on April 21 and 22. Each day the Emerald will feature a profile of each measure.

Designated Driver Shuttle is asking students to approve an additional \$26,212 in funding for their services this year. This ballot measure is the first of six on the ballot in the spring elections. DDS is a free shuttle service for those who may have impaired driving judgment after drinking.

The proposed increase in funds includes \$20,000 for a replace-

ment vehicle, after an engine died recently; \$3,600 for "unforeseen payroll costs;" \$1,800 to cover administrative costs; and \$812 to cover advertising costs. The ASUO Executive will administer the four account transfers.

The money will come from the senate surplus, incidental fees already taken from students.

"Students have already been charged for this," said Brandon Smith, executive director of the shuttle service.

Smith claims that the additional payroll cost came from DDS running on Wednesdays, something it had not done in the past.

DDS is also proposing a second ballot measure, Measure 5, which concerns DDS's budget for fiscal year 1999-00. It is not a supple-

ment to this year's budget.

Smith hopes that students will approve Measure 1 to keep DDS running on campus.

Student Senator Autumn DePoe is one opponent of the measure. She objects against portions of the measure that are submitted as a whole. DePoe opposes the administrative costs and the payroll costs. Her concern is that the measure does not say what the administrative costs are.

"I am against anything where I don't know where my money is going," she said.

"I see some perfectly good organizations that are operating fine with volunteers," she said.

The measure was permitted to appear on the ballot through student signatures of support.

# University Housing discusses residents' concerns

*Students were most interested in seeing changes in food service*

By Darren Freeman  
for the Emerald

The topic dominating a meeting between University Housing officials and students was one that everybody has strong opinions about—food.

Several Housing officials and nine students discussed the student meal plan in the Carson Gold Room last night. Students voiced complaints, Housing officials listened and both parties brainstormed possible solutions.

Most complaints were about service and sanitation at Hammy's and Pizanos. Students said that Hammy's employees don't wash their hands after handling money,

don't clean the counters and grills or dump the trash often enough. Pizanos was criticized for rarely making deliveries, keeping irregular hours, and letting trash pile up.

Food Service Director Fred Babcock was surprised by these allegations and promised to look into them.

University Housing Director Michael Eyster suggested students tell Hammy's and Pizanos managers about problems.

Complaints voiced about the Carson Dining Center included long lines and overcrowding.

"When 200 people show up within a 10 minute period, there's going to be a line until those people move through," said Eyster.

Eyster said that the most likely solution to overcrowding would be an expansion of the hot meal menu at the Grab 'n' Go. This, he said,

should entice more students to eat at the Grab 'n' Go during Carson's busiest hours.

Students were mostly concerned about Grab 'n' Go's selection. Housing officials said that the Grab 'n' Go accepts most menu suggestions, but can offer only food that students eat. In response requests for more nutritious food, Housing officials pointed out that fruit and vegetables usually sit until they spoil.

The Grab 'n' Go's use of paper plates, and plastic utensils and bags was also an issue brought up by the students, who'd prefer reusable dishes and paper bags. Housing officials explained that the dishes would require a dishwasher and a staff to operate it, which would raise the cost of housing, but Housing officials agreed to consider using paper bags that could be recycled.

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