

# Senate swaps funds for groups, trains new senators

Student groups asked for and were granted account transfers

By Sarah Skidmore  
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Student Senators worked like jugglers Wednesday night, moving funds quickly between groups and training new senators to take their seats next year.

The Asian Pacific American Student Union, the Jewish Student Union, KWVA Campus Ra-

dio and the International Law Students Association all requested fund transfers to be approved by the senate.

APASU requested a transfer to cover costs of Heritage Month.

JSU requested a transfer of \$450 from one account with a surplus to another account to help with the cost of a recent Palestinian-Israeli relations conference.

ILSA requested a transfer of \$30 to help JSU with the cost of the conference.

KWVA needed to transfer \$700

from their long-distance fund to cover unbudgeted local phone bills.

All the groups' requests were approved.

Dennis Redmond of the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation spoke to the senate about supporting an effort to get health-care benefits for GTFs. Although no official decisions were made, the majority of the senators spoke in favor of the group's effort. The issue will be discussed at next week's meeting.

A discussion took place between senators and KWVA officials about dissolving the KWVA board of directors. KWVA sought the senate's support to dissolve the board although senate approval is not necessary.

Student Senator Autumn DePoe, as senate representative of KWVA, told the group of the ineffectiveness of the board. DePoe cited a contentious board member as a hurdle for the board. Hiring, general manager reviews and other station busi-

ness has been halted because of the board's inability to function, station General Manager Emily Walter said.

Following the conduct of business, newly elected student senators met in small groups with current senators to prepare for next year. A more in-depth transition session will take place at a later date.

At the close of the meeting, the senate went into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

# U.S. ambassador to China ventures forth from embassy

By Renee Schoof  
The Associated Press

BEIJING — China's leaders cried with the family members of victims of NATO's attack on the Chinese Embassy in Yugoslavia. Students shouted anti-American slogans. And an apologetic American ambassador ventured out of his embassy after four days of angry protests.

Amid the anger and sorrow gripping China on Wednesday, no one seemed ready to talk about reconciliation.

"I think we need to give our Chinese friends a day of grief," U.S. Ambassador James Sasser

said. "It was indeed a terrible, terrible, tragic mistake."

Offices closed temporarily and Beijing residents turned out by the hundreds to watch a motorcade bring the remains of three journalists killed in Friday's bombing from the airport. The convoy of ambulances, buses and cars also carried the more than 20 embassy staff members wounded in the strike.

President Jiang Zemin, Premier Zhu Rongji and legislative chairman Li Peng were shown on national television fighting back tears at memorial services as they expressed condolences

to family members of the three journalists.

Wearing black bands on the left sleeves of their dark suits and white flowers of mourning in their lapels, each bowed three times before a display of large photographs of the reporters and their cremated remains in boxes covered with folded red Chinese flags.

NATO's bombing killed Shao Yunhuan, 48, of the official Xinhua News Agency, and Xu Xinghu, 31, and his wife, Zhu Ying, 27, both of the Guangming Daily, a national newspaper.

State television news showed students holding vigils on campuses and shouting slogans against what is referred to throughout China as "U.S.-led NATO" and its bombing campaign against Yugoslavia.

The U.S. and British embassies were empty of demonstrators Wednesday, as police had blocked streets leading to the protest route that snaked past the embassy district. Paramilitary police remained in the area in case of trouble.

Demonstrations occurred in 19 other cities, making the protests

the largest and most widespread since the crushing of the Tiananmen Square democracy movement 10 years ago. In Chengdu, in western China, the U.S. consul's residence was set on fire last weekend, but there were no injuries.

Chinese state-run news media have fanned the anger by glossing over the attacks by Yugoslav forces in Kosovo that prompted NATO's military action. Also, state media waited until Tuesday to report expressions of regret by President Clinton, NATO and other U.S. officials, some of them made days earlier.

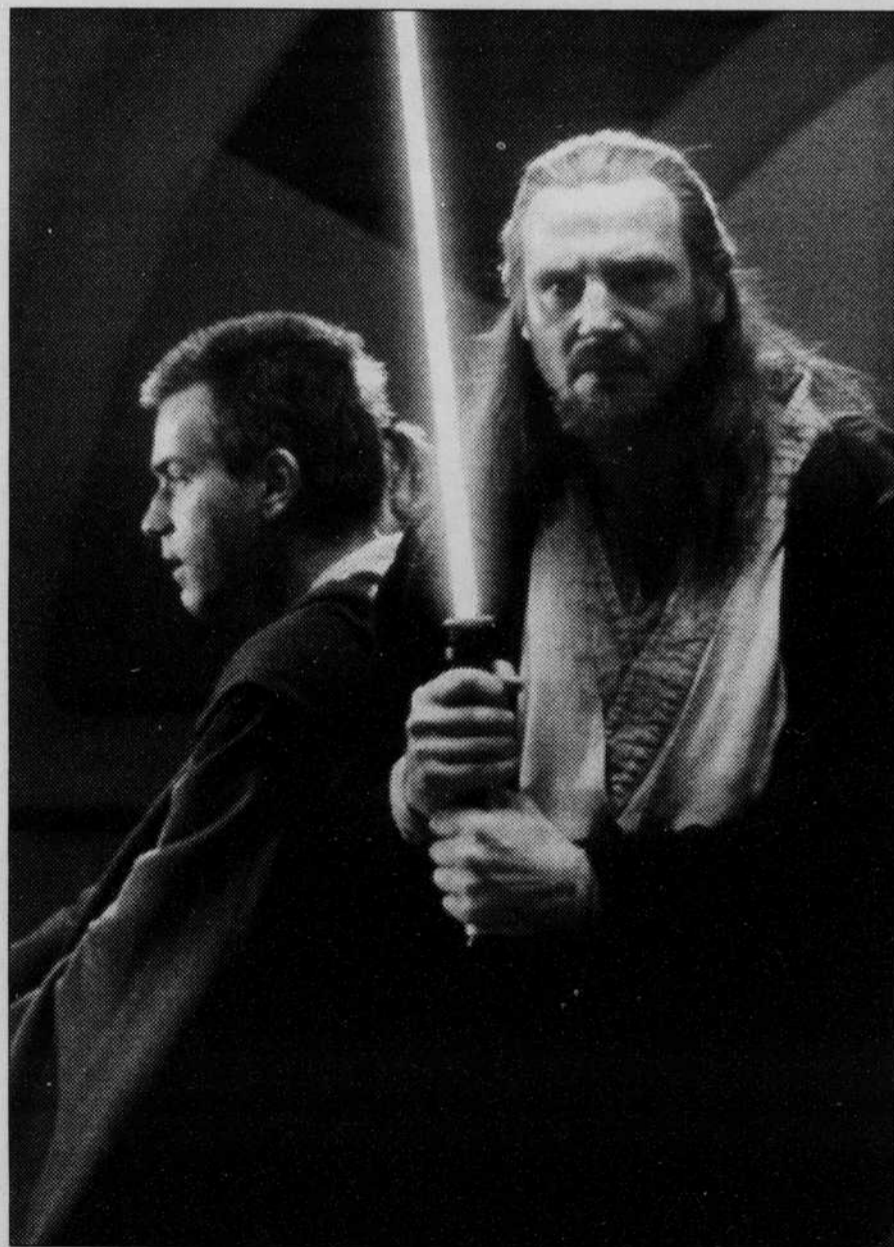
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