

Letters to the editor

Actions result of students

I would strongly urge the Emerald to refrain from further printing any material that credits University President Dave Frohnmayer's movement toward a corporate code of conduct as anything other than reactionary to the student movement. It was the students who brought this issue out of hiding. And the president's actions have been made only according to the demands of those students.

Since students began organizing on this issue a year and a half ago, Frohnmayer's actions have been purely bureaucratic and have successfully stalled the making of any solid decisions. By promising the formation of a committee (which holds no decision-making weight) last spring and the committee not meeting until fall — one of many examples — the president has revealed his true stance on this issue.

A point of interest: If this University is funded by student tuition, how is it that students occupying University property are justifiably arrested? When the laws make little sense, that is when we must defy them.

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Props to the president

During the last week, many of the students and faculty at the University have seen the signs reminding all of us how many fateful days are left until Univer-

sity President Dave Frohnmayer must sign on the Worker Rights Consortium or see the consequences. In a countdown not unlike that of Y2k, one could not look very far on this campus without seeing a Dixie plate hammered into the grass with the reminder and question, "Four days left ... Will Frohnmayer sign?"

Well, those four days have come and gone, and as evidence by the protest and arrests on April 4, Frohnmayer did not meet the deadline imposed on him, and suddenly, one gets the impression from reading the April 5 issue of the Emerald or walking by the administration building that we now have the anti-Christ in charge of the University.

In a time where very few people can make the claim that their actions match their words, I feel very fortunate to have such a person as Frohnmayer as president of the University. True character in a leader is a rarity here in Eugene, and to those who feel the need to sling mud at Frohnmayer's name because he didn't comply to some date set by some group, I say grow up and open your eyes. One would think that a cause such as the WRC on a campus such as the University would draw a huge crowd to protest. But it didn't.

Frohnmayer, on behalf of the 99 percent of the campus that isn't camped outside your office right now, may I express to you our heartfelt thanks for your work and effort as president.

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