

Fund transfers, special requests fielded by senators

Senators granted stipend transfers and several special requests at Wednesday's meeting

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Ever since its first meeting this year, the ASUO Student Senate has been wrestling over the issue of allowing student groups to transfer money budgeted for stipends into work study accounts.

And during Wednesday's 50-minute meeting, the issue reared its head once again.

Debate over work study transfers began when a student group asked

that the pay for one of its employees be pulled from the leadership account, which contains stipend funds for positions, and placed into the group's work study account.

In doing this, students who are eligible for work study can benefit from the federal program.

After much discussion, the Senate decided to allow transfers from leadership to work study on a case-by-case basis — including a stipulation that groups must show Senate how they will cover a three-percent kickback due at the end of the year.

The practice of turning stipend positions into work study positions, however, hasn't quite cleared the hurdles, and the legality of the en-

tire process was briefly questioned Wednesday night.

Sen. President Peter Watts said he has received calls from administrators, and as a result, plans to investigate the questions further.

Postponing discussion until he has found out more, Watts did say that there are "some possible legal issues."

Even so, the Senate was unable to avoid the issue entirely as it faced special requests dealing directly with work study transfers.

Both the Young Women's Christian Association and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Alliance — each of which received approval to transfer money from lead-

ership to work study in the first two Senate meetings — explained how each would pay the kickback.

LGBTA will take the \$41 out of the events coordinator fund, because the group does not have an events coordinator.

"I love it," Sen. Greg Zimel said. "I'm glad that programs want to become more fiscally responsible."

YWCA will cover its \$89 kickback with funds from both office supplies and conference accounts.

In a flip situation, Senate transferred \$1,170 out of a work study account so that two students with the Coalition Against Environmental Racism may be paid for their work.

CAER will host a conference in

January, but the co-director positions originally created for work study students are now being held by students who are not eligible for work study.

One of the co-directors, Glen Banfield, said that he and the other co-director would like to get paid for the work they will be doing for the CAER conference. Senate approved the transfer, and the money will be distributed to the directors hourly while they are working on the event.

Finally, Senate granted Outlaws — a group that represents gay, lesbian, transgender and bisexual law students — its special request of \$576 for lodging and parking during a conference the group will attend in November.

Bush, Gore debate politely over foreign affairs

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WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Al Gore and George W. Bush both called on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to restrain the violence rocking Israel as they stepped gingerly Wednesday night around a volatile foreign policy issue in a nationally televised debate.

Gore also called on Syria to "release three Israeli soldiers that have been captured" by Hamas militia forces during more than 10 days of violence.

In the opening moments of their 90-minute debate, the two presidential hopefuls both pledged strong support for Israel, and sparred over the Clinton administration's handling of Iraqi Leader Saddam Hussein over the past eight years.

The rivals, locked in a tight, back-and-forth race for the White House, met on a stage at Wait Chapel on the campus of Wake Forest University, the second of three presidential debates over a two-week period. Their running mates, Republican Dick Cheney and Democratic Sen. Joseph Lieberman, met last week for their

only debate of the campaign.

Asked by moderator Jim Lehrer of PBS about the Middle East, Gore said, "We need to insist that Arafat send out instructions to halt some of the provocative acts of violence that have been going on."

Bush, given a chance to answer the same question, began by saying that in times of tension overseas, "We ought to be speaking with one voice. I appreciate the way the administration has been working to calm the tensions."

He also said the United States ought to call on Arafat "to have his people pulled back."

Gore defended the administration's handling of Iraq's Saddam. Bush, whose father was president during the Persian Gulf War, declared that the "coalition against Saddam is unraveling ... sanctions are being violated." If Saddam is developing weapons of mass destruction, he said, "There are going to be consequences if I'm president."

The debate was nearly half over before Lehrer turned his attention to

domestic issues.

Both candidates expressed disdain for racial profiling, but disagreed over whether Congress should pass a hate crimes law.

Gore said he supports such a law, saying, "I think these crimes are different," because they are based on prejudice and hatred. He then brought up the case of James Byrd, a black man who was dragged to his death by three whites in Jasper, Texas, as an example of why a hate crimes law is needed.

But Bush said he saw no need for such a law.

The state of Texas has a hate crimes law, he said. And "Guess what," he added. "The three men who murdered James Byrd, guess what's going to happen to them? They're going to be put to death. The jury found them guilty. It's going to be hard to punish them any more after they've been put to death."

The focus on foreign policy was a rarity for the campaign, in which the two candidates have clashed repeatedly over domestic issues such

as tax cuts, health care, Medicare and Social Security. But with the peace process in jeopardy in the Mideast and a Yugoslavia fresh from a popular uprising, the debate became something of a foreign policy exam for two men vying to become commander-in-chief.

That tested Bush's knowledge of foreign affairs, said by Democrats to be a weakness.

When Lehrer rattled off a list of military commitments in recent years, Gore said he agreed with each of the decisions Clinton had made.

Bush dissented from the decision to send troops to Haiti, and said the mission in Somalia had gone wrong when it turned from peacekeeping to "nation building."

When it came to Rwanda, Bush said the Clinton administration "did the right thing" by not acting to stop ethnic violence there that eventually killed more than half a million people. However, President Clinton has said he regretted his lack of action, and Gore said "in retrospect we were too late."

While they differed on some points, the two presidential rivals took care to avoid snapping at one another — and Gore jettisoned the audible sighs that he used in their first debate to register disagreement with comments made by Bush. So tame were the proceedings, that at one point, Bush said, "it seems like we're having a big love fest."

On another foreign policy issue, Bush said it was "important for this nation to develop an anti-ballistic missile system that we can share with our allies in the Middle East, if need be, to keep the peace."

Both men, after days of practice, were armed with one-liners and zingers for possible use. But both sides said they wouldn't be the first to fire, aware of polling that suggests voters are being turned away by nasty comments.

Bush backers have been denouncing Gore for what they describe as distortions in the first campaign debate, while the Gore camp has been saying Bush was incapable of coherently defending his proposals.

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


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