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PFC hears appeals to groups' budgets

■ In addition to more recall hearings of previously approved budgets, PFC listened to appeals by groups

By Robin Weber
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Many student groups have seen budget recalls by the Programs Finance Committee in recent weeks, and this pattern continued Monday night. However, many appeals of the recalls were also heard, some leading to increases from the previous allocations.

The Recreation and Intramurals annual budget was the first to be recalled. PFC increased the budget 17.8 percent to \$125,727 to retain graduate teaching fellows and student officials. This increase was deemed necessary by the group's leaders.

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UO considers discount price on late classes

■ Students might receive lower tuition on unpopular class times as a way to ease the burden of higher enrollment

By Katie Ellis
Oregon Daily Emerald

In response to increasing enrollment and decreasing state support, the University is considering later classes and tuition breaks as a way to accommodate the rising number of University students.

The tuition model currently being discussed, known as the access-based model, focuses on dispersing teaching hours and classes more evenly throughout the day, providing lower cost tuition alternatives and providing more choices for students in terms of cost, time of day and number of available courses.

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Ticket seeks improved facilities, easier ticketing, later lab hours

■ ASUO candidates Mannix and Willett have a long list of ideas to improve campus life for students and faculty

By Diane Huber
Oregon Daily Emerald

Ezra Mannix, a junior journalism major, is running for ASUO president. Lucas Willett, a senior environmental studies major is running for vice president.

Q: There are, at last count, 10 tickets running for ASUO Executive this year. What do you think will set yourselves apart from the

other candidates?

A: I'd wager that Ezra can drink more "Ezra Brooks Kentucky bourbon" than any of the other candidates, myself excluded, and we'd be willing to challenge them in an official contest.

Q: What is your platform?

A: We're tired of the degradation on campus. There are a lot of buildings that have slight problems



MANNIX

improvements in lecture halls. We support a 24-hour building with 25 public computer terminals and coffee served at all hours.

There's no reason why a public

worse than the high schools we've gone to — especially Klamath Hall and Pacific Hall. We want new desks, new chairs, better lighting, more things for students and better technological



WILLETT

to bring the Portland Trail Blazers to play an exhibition game in McArthur Court before their season begins in November. We'd also mandate that the Oregon Universi-

ty System prevent public safety of-

ficers — that is DPS — from carrying guns or any sort of firearms.

Q: What specific campus-oriented initiatives will you champion?

A: We support free airport shuttles from campus during finals week, the dorm meal card being accepted at EMU food vendors, we want to change the UO Housing leasing options so it's term by term, we want creative writing to be an eligible major and we want the varsity baseball team to come back.

Q: How would you define diversity? And how would you plan to

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'People don't care.'

— Theodore Eugene Adams, senior, referring to the ASUO Elections



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Senior Theodore Eugene Adams says students are disillusioned by the election process. 'They see tons of names, but it just doesn't mean anything,' he said. He said the posters sprouting up around campus don't 'educate the students. We see all these names for a week, then they just disappear. Our leaders are invisible.'

Apathy hangs over campus elections

■ Many students on campus can't relate the ASUO Executive to their everyday lives

By Diane Huber
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With 10 tickets crowding the ASUO Executive ballot, this year's election is unique.

But that's about the point where the singularity ends. Just like last year and every year since 1990, the Oregon Commentator is running its joke candidate. And once again, many students say they haven't been keeping up with elections — and they don't plan to vote.

Like past years, the campus is divided between the small percentage of students who are involved in student groups or student government and who are pas-

sionately preparing to vote, and the majority of students who can't relate the ASUO Executive to their everyday lives.

"Students don't see a connection. They don't see that ASUO is meaningful to them," Elections Coordinator Courtney Hight said.

Hight said she hopes the unusually high number of tickets, each appealing to a different constituency, will draw more voters. This year the ASUO Elections Board has tried to increase awareness about the elections in an attempt to increase voter turnout from last year's 9 percent to 20 percent, Hight said. The goal is low, but realistic, she said.

"We want to reintroduce the idea of voting,"

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Candidates on display

Meet the ASUO Executive candidates during the candidates fair.

From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, ASUO candidates will be in the EMU Amphitheater to talk to students and answer questions.