

## The Week in Review



### Fremont Bridge Takeover

Drivers on the Fremont Bridge were stuck in traffic Sunday night as scores of other motorists illegally stopped traffic for an organized event known as a bridge takeover. Witnesses reported to police that multiple vehicles stopped traffic while drivers performed dangerous burnouts, doughnuts and other tricks.

### NAACP Leader Resigns

The NAACP Spokane Chapter president Rachel Dolezal resigned Monday amidst an uproar she was falsely portraying her race as African American when her parents say she is white. Dolezal, 37, sued Howard University for discrimination in 2002, the year she graduated from the historically black college. Her case was dismissed, but since about this time or earlier, she has claimed to be African American.



### Al-Qaida No. 2 Killed

A U.S. airstrike has killed Al-Qa-

ida's No. 2 leader, who commanded its powerful Yemeni affiliate, a website for the group revealed Tuesday. The death is the biggest blow against the global network since the killing of Osama bin Laden and eliminates a charismatic leader at a time when it is vying with the Islamic State group for the mantle of global jihad.

### Fritz-Fairchild Act Passed

Gov. Kate Brown signed the Fritz-Fairchild Act last week in honor of Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz's late husband Dr. Steven Fritz and his co-worker Cary Fairchild, who both died in a car crash on I-5 in September. The law provides for life-saving median barriers on about 100 miles of interstate highways where the space between opposing lanes of traffic measures 100 feet or less.

### Burnside Bridge Fatality

A man was killed and his companion injured when a car jumped the curb and hit them while using the sidewalk on the Burnside Bridge Sunday afternoon. Police said the 59-year-old driver may have suffered a medical event that led him to lose control of his vehicle.

### Strip Club Trafficked Child

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission is proposing to cancel its liquor license for the Stars Cabaret and Steak House in Beaverton because of the prostitution of a 13-year-old girl and other violations at the strip club in 2012.

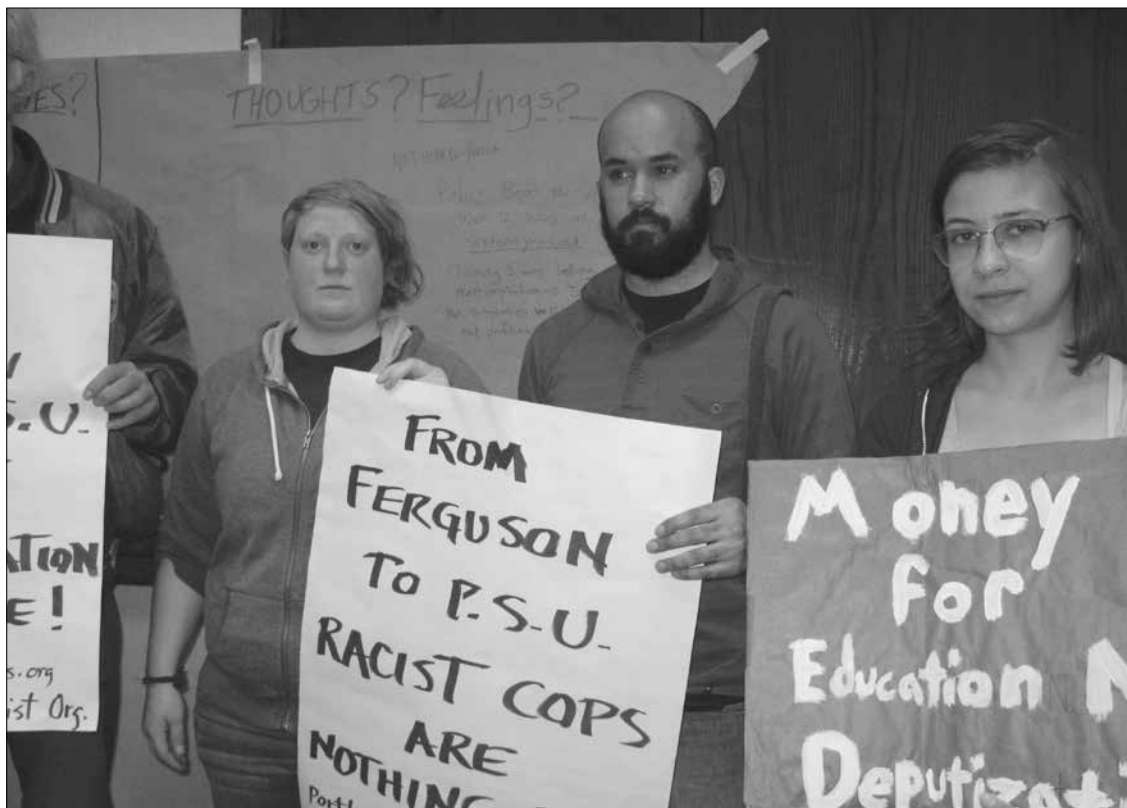


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Student and community activists protest the arming of Portland State University campus security during a November board meeting.

## Final Approval for Armed Police at PSU

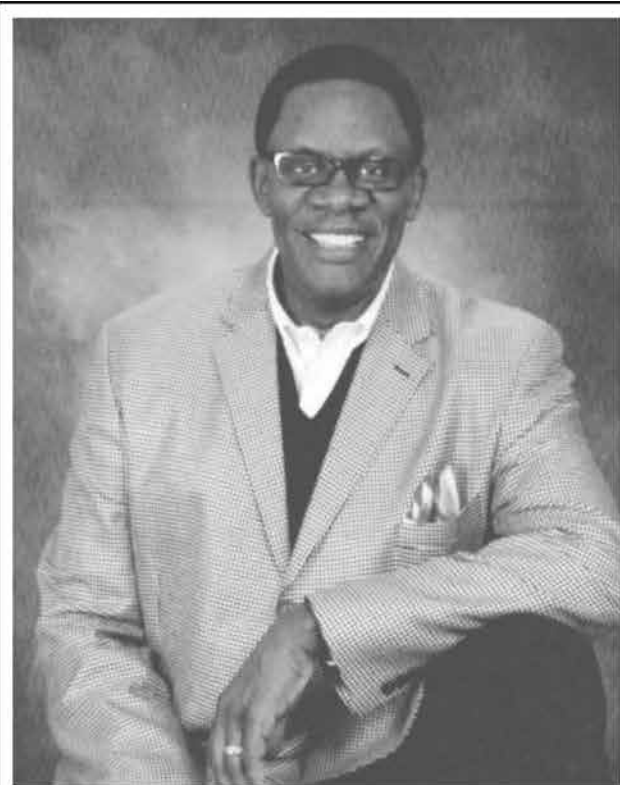
The Portland State University Board of Trustees has given final approval to a controversial measure to allow a select number of campus security officers to carry and use guns.

Students, faculty, and alumni have protested the decision heavily, and last week's approval by a vote of 9 to 3 came before a meeting in which dozens of activists

tried to dissuade the board from pushing forward with the decision.

The process started in 2013 with the establishment of a task force that presented the idea of arming campus security after its first six months of meeting. The board approved the recommendation in December, at which point a committee to plan the implementation was formed.

Armed security guards will be added to the existing unarmed campus security force over the next three years, at a cost that Kevin Reynolds, Portland State University vice president for finance and administration, roughly estimates to be \$1.2 million for an roughly 10 officers, which is the number needed to post two officers around the clock seven days a week, officials said.



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