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Savage Mascot Survival Looks Dim: Important Board Decisions Set For Friday

by Nola Leyde

On the agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting this Friday, are the issues of beer in the PUB and the college mascot.

John Lothspie, secretary to the board, said that this will be an open meeting, in the multipurpose room between Streeter and Morrison. The meeting begins at 1:30, and at 2:30 another meeting will begin on whether or not the board should apply for a liquor license for the PUB to sell beer. Public opinion is invited concerning the issue.

Immediately following the beer issue, the college mascot will be discussed. During the December election the Savage name was upheld by the students with a vote for the Savage name of 950 compared to the next largest vote of 52 for the name Braves. Despite this fact, some of the board members feel the overwhelming vote was not going to affect their decision upon the matter.

Ron Robinson, a member of the board from Bellevue, recently stated on the issue of the mascot, "The board still holds the final decision of the only body with the authority on, this school mascot." He went further to say that, "I was under the impression that the board has charged the Savage committee to come up with a new name, acceptable to the campus community." No one I vote to retain the name. Although I don't speak for the other board members, I seriously doubt if they will either."

Morris Shaw, president of the board, refused to comment on either the beer issue or the mascot change before the meeting. But he said that if the board was going to make a decision, there would not be taken positions. It would be unfair to the board and very open-minded.

Jerome Page, newest addition to the board, said on the issue of beer that he wanted to wait until the month and see pros and cons before he took a stand. He added that, so far, he does not see a problem in it, unless someone brings one up at the board meeting.

Page holds a strong position on the issue of the college mascot. He said, "Regardless of what the students voted for, the name should be changed. I think the name is totally wrong."

Page has been in touch with national leaders upon this issue.

Mrs. Le Donna Harris for one, a wife of an Oklahoma politician. Harris works on the staff of Americans for Indian Opportunity. Page stated that she was "ludicrous" for an institution in 1973 to have the name and symbol of a savage. It is "totally insulting to native Americans."

Page didn't think the issue of keeping the name savage should be the issue discussed, rather they should discuss the new name. He said, "I won't support the name and I would be very surprised if the board voted to support it."

The two remaining board members, Mrs. Frederick Wilson and Mr. Marle Hoffner were unavailable for comment.

Whether or not a decision will be made on the matter of the mascot will be determined at the meeting, Jeff Riddle, Associated Student President, doesn't believe that he would not take the whole time, he said.

If the mascot issue should come up, Riddle's official position will be, "The majority of the student body wishes to maintain the Savage name and my office is to serve the majority." Riddle says he is personally in favor of changing the name because of the negative connotations of the term "savage", but Riddle doesn't feel that he can or should impose his "representative" position.

Dr. Hegge, Dean of Student Services, said the issue will "definitely" be discussed as it is on the agenda, but what kind of decision will be made is not definite.

What's Inside

Marijuana-To smoke or not to smoke. That is the question asked many Eastern students this week in the Carlton poll on page 5.

Were you a victim? Of the flu epidemic that hit Eastern last week? Some facts about the disease on page 2.

Riddle--AS President Jeff Riddle gives a rundown of problems AS government would like to help solve this quarter, including the high tuition proposal. Details on page 6.

Food Prices--Go higher and higher and higher. Staff reporter Vern Berrett gives some reasons for the price hikes on page 5.

Hitchhiking--Not anymore if the state legislature repeals the hitchhiking laws passed last year. See details on page 5.


Believe Tuition Is Sky High Now? Just Wait

By Dennis Reddy

In the near future college students may find themselves paying all of their education costs, which could amount to three times what they are now paying.

On Jan. 5, the Council on High Education (CHE) held its fall meeting in Seattle and adopted four or five statements of policy on principles, which will shape recommendations the legislatore will make to the legislature on the financing of higher education in Washington.

The CHE feels that students in postsecondary schools should pay more of the costs of their education, and consequently recommendations to the legislature will probably include raising tuition and fee charges for higher education. Dr. Emerson Shuck, the president of Eastern, said, "I think that this idea is probably one of the most important things to affect students in quite awhile."

State Agency

The CHE is a state agency whose members are appointed by the governor under statutory authority. The council's main purpose is to plan, coordinate and assist the state's postsecondary higher education, with its special responsibility to the state-supported four-year institutions.

Recently the council has been designated by Gov. Dan Evans as the state's planning commission for secondary education as required under federal higher education standards. This 1972 amendment states that every state must have such a commission in order to receive federal funds for secondary education.

In conjunction with the proposed increase in tuition, the CHE has also suggested lower tuition fees for lower division and community college students and higher fees for upper division and graduate students and certain professional programs. The CHE also recommends an expansion of the state work-study program, and the creation of long term loans at a relatively low interest rate.

DISFAR VOICE

Commenting on the proposed rate increase, President Shuck, an advisory member of the CHE, said, "I have opposed strongly the element of the low tuition principle in public higher education." He also felt that higher fees charges that required more financial aid "will create an additional bureaucratic process for students who want a higher education."

The CHE is made up of nine citizen members appointed by the governor, 10 education members from public and private institutions, four legislative members, and two executive members of the governor's staff. It is planned in the near future to enlarge membership to include a representative of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and representatives of vocational and technological schools.

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New Registration Process Effective

EFFECTIVE USE

The effectiveness of computerized registration is evident in the students, 92 percent got their first choice of classes and 97 percent got either their first or second choice. About 10 percent received their classes in 3.5 days of special drop-add procedures were provided for them. Also, the time it took to register was reduced.

But the drop-add results weren't so encouraging. The number of students going through drop-add increased from 36 percent in the fall to 46 percent winter quarter. Lijiegigen said the high rate of transfer was caused because it was a new experiment and other undisclosed reasons. Finding a means of reducing the number of students should be the next project of the registrar's office.

In reference to the article "Volunteer Bureau, AWS Split", which appeared in the January 11 issue of The Easterner, some errors were made.

The Easterner wishes to correct these mistakes and clarify the ambiguities concerning AWS functions and its aims for this quarter.

The maintenance, funding and publicity of the Sex Information Center are some of AWS major concerns. Kathy Logan, vice president, page 3

DISK JOCKEY IKE HIGGINS is seen operating one of the boards in the brand new studios of campus station KEWC. The station broadcasts Sundays, beginning at noon to midnight, and weekdays from 6:00 n.m. to midnight, at 66.5 AM and 89.9 FM. Photo by Simpson.

AWS Goals Noted

Only citizen members are allowed to vote and all other people are advisory members. There is also a Student-Faculty Advisory Committee, which is supposed to consult with the staff of the CHE on decisions. John Allen and Pauline Ford leave the issue of these repre sentatives on this committee.

Other duties of the CHE are reviewing budgets, analyzing enrollments, and studying faculty work loads. Recently the committee analyzed graduate programs in six of the major institutions, and recommended the elimination of "nonproductive" programs. The CHE also serves as technical adviser to the state legislature on matters of appropriations and rule making for higher education.

Whether or not there will be a tuition increase, and if so, what extent costs will rise, depends on the state legislature.
**Flu Epidemic Subsides After Rush at Infirmary**

The "flu" epidemic that sent almost 1,000 Eastern students to the infirmary last week has diminished this week.

The infirmary's supervising nurse, Ann Caldwell, said, "We had students in here with head colds, flu, tonsilitis, pneumonia—everything. It was not solely a flu epidemic, she said, but every kind of respiratory disease was present.

On the average, the health center treats about 450 students a week. The center had to use three extra volunteer workers since it was providing beds for up to 15 people a night. All of the regular staff was forced to work overtime.

**Antiwar Group Started**

A new antiwar group began this month on campus. The committee for Peace in Vietnam now is started by Nick Fry and Dr. Bud Koss, of the Political Science Department. It is now a recognized organization by the AS.

The purpose of the organization is to unite all forces in opposition to the war in a meaningful protest. To accomplish this goal, activities have been planned in which all people can participate.

Wednesday, Jan. 17, a rally was held here on campus. On Wednesday they also began an all-out letter writing campaign in the mall of the PUB, that will continue today and tomorrow. Everyone is invited to write as many post cards as they wish to their congressman or whomever, to protest the war. Donations for the post cards will be accepted.

They plan to participate in a nationwide protest that will take place on Jan. 20 in front of the Federal Building in Spokane. Everyone is invited to attend with the group. Anyone wanting further information should contact either Nick Fry at the Draft Counseling Service or Pat Coats, adviser for the organization.

**Tutorial Unit Assessed**

Eastern's tutorial service, conducted through the Counseling Center, is now five years old, according to Frank Ammann, coordinator of student development.

The service was developed by Dr. Bernard Taylor, director of the Counseling Center and Ammann in order to keep more students in school by teaching them basic study skills.

Not only is it a learning opportunity for students but also for the tutors. By having to communicate their knowledge, they gain teaching experience and are able to 'assess their own competence.' They also get paid.

The tutorial service has also felt the economic squeeze and only five tutors are now employed.

This is in contrast to the 26 tutors employed two years ago with the assistance of a $10,000 grant from HEW. During this peak (Spring 1970) the tutorial service expanded to include the Child Guidance Service in Spokane where five undergraduates and one graduate student then proceeded to tutor children deficient in mathematics, reading, spelling, English and speech.

Even though the tutorial service now consists of only five tutors, it is still active. Ammann estimated that they tutor about 700 students in the academic year. He also noted that three to four sessions usually will solve the difficulty. The tutorial service is free to all students and Ammann encourages anyone who is having problems to stop by room 118 in Martin Hall between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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Food Price Bite Sharper

by Vern Patten

Either some belt tightening or budget adjusting will be in order for over 2,000 married students at Eastern due to an unprecedented rapid rise in the store prices for meat and dairy products.

Recent price increases in beef, pork, poultry, eggs and milk can be expected to continue for the next few months before leveling off. Prof. David Bunting of Eastern’s Economics Department said, “Some reduction in prices probably may be expected in the spring. Prices seldom, if ever, come back to the level they previously held.”

Prof. Bunting cited some probable causes of the recent increases: Higher prices of feed grains—major crop damage in the Midwest due to bad weather and the big grain deals with foreign countries have pushed the price of grain way above the normal level. For instance, soybeans, a leading protein source in feed grains, gained 97 cents a bushel during December.

HIKES NOTED

General wage and price increases of other commodities have introduced increases in each step of the chain from the farm to the grocery store. Farmer, shipper, feedlot manager, packer, wholesaler, and retailer all have pyramidized their costs on the pound of beef and we, the consumers, must absorb the increases.

Several grocers in the Cheney and Spokane area unanimously expressed the opinion that the price rises would continue at least until spring. Most of those contacted were unwilling to be quoted and didn’t wish to predict the extent of any new increase or the eventual ceiling.

They indicated generally that they have noticed a slight trend away from the more expensive cuts of meat and toward cheaper beef cuts and meat like poultry and fish. As one Cheney grocer said, “I think a man has to be crazy as hell, rich as hell, or both, to buy steaks many times at $3 a pound.”

HABITS UNCHANGED

Some married students interviewed said that as yet they have not altered their buying habits because of the price increases, but all expressed concern about continued increases and where they would stop.

At any rate, some ‘sale’ shopping and budget watching may become necessary for some of us. For anyone who has a yen to try vegetarianism, there is a note of cheer—cost of fruits and vegetables posted an average 5.1 percent drop for December according to a national consumer report.

AWS Objectives

Get Second Look

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MORE MONEY

Since its split with the Volunteer Bureau last quarter, the AWS now has more money to devote to projects of particular interest to Eastern women. According to Ms. Lang and Ms. Logan, the workshops and the Monday night class are concerned with increasing campus awareness of women’s problems.

Prison Drama Slated

“The Cage,” a drama written inside San Quentin Prison by a man who researched it during 12 years of imprisonment, will be performed at Eastern, Jan. 24 in Showalter Auditorium.

The 80-minute, one-act play will be performed by ex-con victs, some on parole. It has four characters in motion around a toilet bowl, acting out fantasies with an often hilarious but ultimately lethal effect.

Although it describes the horror and brutality of prison life, the play does not call primarily for prison reform or protest against the injustices of the judicial system. Instead, it is a statement about the mythical structures of society, created to hide some ugly truths about ourselves. Ken Whalan, an actor in the play describes the purpose as “trying to show the consequences of coging people who have problems, to show how this aggravates and magnifies problems.”

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**Gary Bernard**

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Letters should be under 300 words and should be relevant. All letters are subject to editing. Letters should be typed, preferably single-spaced, and should be signed. The author's name will be used unless otherwise requested.

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Olympia Correspondent

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**Cagers Lose Pair; Open Six Game Home Stand**

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AS Plans To Fight Against Tuition Rise Bill

by Janna Van Dyk

Associated Student President Jeff Riddle recently outlined some problems AS government will work to bring about this quarter. One issue AS will fight against is the rise in tuition bill placed before the state legislature this session.

The tuition bill, sponsored by the Council on Higher Education, possibly would double or even triple the cost of tuition if passed by the legislature. Riddle feels this raise is not in the best interest of students and made it clear that AS does not favor this proposal.

Another area of possible change concerns beer sale in the PUB. This issue will be voted on at tomorrow's Board of Trustees meeting and Riddle said that AS will urge the BOT to pass the measure.

POWER SOUGHT

AS will also work to gain a position of power for students if the collective bargaining for faculty passes the legislature. If the bill passes, the administration and faculty may then negotiate on matters such as curriculum makeup, office situations, and faculty schedules.

This affects students in that it will further determine the amount of funds allocated for the construction of buildings and that which will be provided by the student body.

It is imperative, Riddle feels, that the bill be passed or a raises the negotiating table for the students. As a compromise Riddle is willing to allow for the students to have an equal place with the administration and Board of Trustees as opposed to the faculty. Another area of AS concern is the money allotted to the Alumni Association. Since 1945 an annual sum of $20,000 has been allocated for the association but last spring a vote by students indicated 53 percent were in favor of discontinuing this fund.

Riddle said, "I am obligated by campaign pledges and by the student vote to go after this money. If they (the Alumni Association members) know there is a certain deadline after which they will not be receiving funds from the students, it might give them the impetus to seek funds from other sources."