

Faculty defeats student appeal

By refusing to alter the calendar for fall in any way, the majority of the faculty at yesterday's Faculty Senate meeting succeeded in reasserting the axiom that students are niggers.

Hiding behind parliamentary procedure and expedient appeals the action effectively says to many concerned students: Your concerns are not as valuable as the good will of the doling legislature.

Morality was successfully outbid.

It is a farce to expect students to believe that the wishy-washy endorsement of "no sanctions" has any meaning at all. Perhaps teachers will be prevented from giving hour exams or papers in that two week period, but perhaps will come a quiz, or an hour exam the day of the election, or a test over that material of

the two weeks soon following the campaign.

But more basic than that is the obvious point that many students who miss two weeks of class find it impossible to complete the semester. No one need mention what possible sanction power this has over a student with a I-S deferment.

Likewise it is farcical to expect students to trust any sort of proposed review board to enforce the "no sanction" rule. The experiences of the past few weeks, and of years in unresponsive departments have convinced students they have no recourse as far as many faculty are concerned.

Matching this sellout, indeed surpassing it, was the amendment to the Human Rights Commission report. Benign what? But where will the faculty be this summer: wherever, but not at 27th and Vine, and not at 24th and Lake.

There are perhaps three groups who must feel vindicated: those faculty who chose expediency, those people who would deny any dissenting voice, and the radicals whose prophecies are being realised.

June Wagoner
Susie Eisenhart

Two views on faculty action

(Editor's note: Following Thursday's Faculty Senate meeting a faculty member and a student quickly responded to the Daily Nebraskan.)

Dear Editor:

Yesterday's action by the faculty amounts to a total moral and ethical refusal to accept the responsibility placed on the faculty of the University of Nebraska — to act in a manner befitting professors who teach the virtues of citizenship.

At the point of student disturbance, the faculty voted to accept the principle of student participation. When the confrontation was over the majority of the faculty returned to playing parliamentary games and adopted an immoral position.

When the faculty essentially voted against the increasing participation of minority group students and when it accepted Professor Braeman's formulation of altering the report of the Committee on Human Rights, the majority of the faculty endorsed the worse racist principles that go fundamentally against justice in the United States of America.

For those of us who have supported the middle course, who have counseled against violence, the action of the majority of the faculty comes as a tragic and unfortunate reversal. Let all of us in the future remember John Kennedy's words "Those who make peaceful change impossible, make revolutionary change inevitable."

Ivan Volyges

Dear Editor:

I am sick and tired of people telling me to work within the system and then acting in such a manner as to make it impossible to do so. I had counted on spending the pre-election months working for anti-war candidates, realizing that the crucial period of the campaign is the two weeks immediately prior to election day.

Now the faculty has apparently told me that they will not let me do so. If I choose to fulfill my civic responsibilities, I must complete 15 weeks of classwork in only 13 weeks. Whether we like to label it as such or not, that amounts to a penalty.

Having recently visited Senators and Congressmen as a representative of University students, I was repeatedly urged by them to change American policy by changing American policymakers. That option is now largely foreclosed to concerned students by the action of the faculty.

Ken Wald

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Cambodia...two views

(Editor's note: The Daily Nebraskan recently received this letter from a serviceman in Cambodia.)

Dear Editor,

Thank you for your support in the condemnation of the President's recent actions in Cambodia. News stories of protest throughout the nation are the only morale boosters we have in Cambodia.

I, speaking for a majority of the members of this unit, presently in Cambodia, appreciate the concern you have shown for our welfare, and more important, for the welfare of our nation. Many of today's so-called "leaders" pull the American soldier into their arguments, telling the silent majority that to support their policies of aggression they are saving our lives. These leaders have not bothered to take a poll of Americans in Vietnam and Cambodia. They either do not recognize or they ignore our deep resentment at being used as a patriotic shield for their aggressive and unpopular actions in Southeast Asia and at home.

Only through constant protest and determined information programs can you, our representatives in American society, stop the madness of war and put the voice of the

people back in the leadership of America.

Sincere thanks,
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(Editor's note: These are excerpts from a letter from a soldier in Cambodia to a University student.)

... When I first found out about the move I had mixed emotions. I was disappointed as hell at the idea of expanding the war, but I was also getting tired of watching our ground units try to fight an enemy that could hit us at will and then disappear across the border before we could bring our far superior fire power onto him. As you may know, I've never been a fan of Slippery Dick Nixon, (but) ... I've never been so optimistic about the situation as I am now. What is discouraging is news of people's reactions back in the world. They're trying to crucify Nixon for the smartest move anybody's made since the war began ...

The thrust into Cambodia was well timed and well executed, a tribute indeed to the 1st Air Cav, which handled the operation in the "Fishhook." What it amounted to was an

airmobile assault that completely and totally surprised the gooks and had them surrounded and cut off in a matter of hours. The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th days of the operation were devoted to strengthening and establishing fire support bases for the initial insertion. I didn't get to go on any assaults until the 3rd day. Since then I've flown the area quite frequently.

After they'd established themselves the troops started moving in. They ran into contact numerous times but every time they did they pulled back and dug in and called the world in on top of Charley — artillery, air strikes, Cobra gunships — the most devastating array of military air power the world has ever seen. And that's why the killed-in-action ratios have been so overwhelmingly in our favor.

... Burning a man to death is a horrible way to change his politics but after you've been here a while and been shot at a few times you realize that Charley's sole purpose in life is to kill you and he's not playing games. His bullets don't discriminate between warmongers and peace-lovers and neither do his rockets. Having sat through about a dozen

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