



They shoot horses, don't they?

Evaluation reveals students favor open dormitory lounges

Open dormitory lounges received the approval of most people questioned in an evaluation presented to the Housing Policy Committee Wednesday.

"Most people thought the open lounges should be continued, even those who did not participate in the program," Allen Bestmann, president of the Residence Halls Association (RHA), reported. "Many suggested that we move from the lounges to the rooms, in other words, visitation."

At its first meeting of the school year, Barry Pilger, the committee's newly-elected chairman, appointed an ad hoc committee to study the evaluation further.

Most criticisms of the lounges were personal complaints, Bestmann added. He said that some of those questioned said that generally there were not enough people in the lounges to make the program worthwhile.

Bestmann commented that another general complaint was aimed at the physical facilities. Many students suggested that dorms acquire more comfortable furniture and TV's for the floor lounges.

Evaluations were completed by residence directors, floor presidents, student assistants, student sponsors and residents, particularly those who did not participate in the program.

The open lounge program allows student sponsorship, a

major advantage over the expanded RHA hours which can now be held virtually every night, according to Bestmann.

"RHA hours require that the student assistants be on the floor all the time and this is asking too much," he said. "Sponsorship is our major concern in keeping open lounges."

The open lounge policy is especially applicable to Schramm Hall, the coed dorm, Bestmann noted. He also said that the policy "would be a good thing to use when the University goes to classes in the dorms."

In other business, the Housing Policy Committee briefly discussed married student housing.

"Does the University have the moral responsibility to insure that married students don't live in substandard housing," Pilger asked.

Rita Watson, a graduate student member of the committee, replied that last year the committee had said "yes, the University should be a moral leader." She explained the committee moved toward this stand by asking for enforcement of the landlord's pledge against discrimination in renting because of race.

Wendall Gauger, chairman of the department of botany, suggested that to solve the problem, the committee would "have to get to the people who own the substandard housing, not the renters."

Since the committee had not

yet received its charge from the Council on Student Life, no formal action was taken regarding married student housing.

Police:

No-'narcs' in Lincoln

Friends and family members of drug users, not narcotic agents, provide the major source of information leading to drug arrests, a representative of the Lincoln Police said Wednesday.

Speaking to Philosophy 6 students, Leighton Wessel, police community relations, played down the use of "narcs" in local arrests.

Wessel also told the class of 100 students, "Although a lot of people are alarmed about drug abuse, there are far bigger problems among young people."

"This year we have had 197 complaints related to drugs and we have made 56 actual arrests," Wessel said.

"We have far more arrests and we're more concerned about the misuse of alcohol and the misuse of automobiles among young people," Wessel said.

Wessel added that some of the complaints on drugs come from suspicious neighbors. "Some people think every student with a brown pack on his back keeps it full of marijuana," he said.

ASUN to confer with Board on Davis case

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Members of an ad hoc ASUN committee will talk informally with the Regents about the Michael Davis case at the Board's Nov. 20 meeting.

Senator Bill Arfman told Wednesday's ASUN meeting that the committee has already talked with university students and Davis to get ideas and suggestions. He said the committee is considering calling for an open hearing with the Regents on the matter.

For the second consecutive week the senate rejected a request for general fund money. On a close vote (appropriations require a two-thirds majority) they refused to give the Human Rights Committee an additional \$100 for a human rights retreat.

The retreat for 40 faculty members and students interested in human rights will study questions of human rights and involve sensitivity training. Supporters said the extra money was needed to

provide better facilities and more leaders for the week-end session.

Becky Ross, coordinator of the new Center for Educational Change, reported the Center was in operation and would soon be sharing its office with the Free University.

Progress on the planned student day care center, student gas station, book exchange and student credit union were outlined. Marti Liggett of the Student Economic Development committee reported that a survey of students would be made to determine reactions to existing ASUN student services and get suggestion for new ones.

President Steve Tiwald said ASUN was involved in many more projects than last year and commended the senators who were working on them. He also criticized senators who were not working but "just coming to meetings."

Tiwald exhorted them to "do what you promised to do—work," referring to election campaign promises.

Next week's meeting will be in the East Campus Union.

said that there is currently a research project in Oklahoma studying effects of marijuana under the auspices of the National Institute of Mental Health.

But responding to the question of whether he thought marijuana was alright, Flansburg retorted, "Hell No."

The vice squad agent said he has seen grass used as a ladder to stronger drugs too many times. "I've seen the bad side of drugs, the bad trips and the broken homes," Flansburg said.

Other students were interested in finding out how Lincoln will be affected by the new (no knock) drug legislation. Wessel replied that the new law would have no affect, since Nebraska has had the same type of law for a long time.

"It doesn't mean that we can go around busting down doors," Flansburg said. "We still need a warrant before we can enter anyone's home. And to get a warrant we have to be able to show probable cause," he added.

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