

ASUN budget would establish activity committee

The Daily Nebraskan will take a detailed look at the categories of the proposed ASUN budget before it is dealt with by the Senate at next week's meeting.

The ASUN Senate Wednesday received its executive proposed budget for 1972-73. The Senators will study the request for a week before voting whether to accept it. It will then move on for final approval by the Board of Regents.

The total budget request \$41,134.41 as compared with \$38,899.97 budgeted last year.

The document says "the executives of ASUN realize the usefulness of comparative data in judging one year's budget from the last . . . if a comparison between this budget and last year's budget is attempted, one will find that many of last year's programs have been placed in new program areas, some have been eliminated and others added."

The document indicated the direction taken in formulating this year's budget proposal was to "update, redefine and research the current needs of the students at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln."

However, the comparison with last year's budget is inevitable. The new budget's most conspicuous cuts were in the areas of Free University, human rights, and student services. The biggest hikes went to communications, the Legislative Liason committee, the general fund and the establishment of a Student

Organization and Activities Fund, a Cultural Affairs committee and to ombudsman support.

Most important is establishment of the Student Organizations and Activities committee, with a budget of \$5,500.

The \$5,500 request would make funds available to recognized student organizations and activities to support their activities until alternative means of funding can be found.

Groups and activities will be obligated to forward detailed expenditure requests to fully inform the Senate of the validity of the request. The distribution of money from the fund will be monitored through a special Senate committee.

Many activities formerly funded under the Human Rights Committee now will have to go through the new set-up to receive funds.

Another big boost went to the Communications Committee. That committee's budget skyrocketed from \$550 a year ago to a proposed \$3,917.50. However, the communications budget anticipates that committee will handle all publicity for other committees.

The switch apparently would take the burden of publicity off several committees including Human Rights, Environmental Task Force, Free University, the electoral commission, the Legal Rights, Legislative Liason and Student Services.

In other Senate business Wednesday, a resolution to sanction a lettuce boycott was passed 22 to 4 with

four abstentions. The Senate voted for the sanction by dormitories and housing units "in an attempt to begin the direction of purchasing to include only United Farm Workers lettuce."

Also passed, 29 to 0 with one Senator abstaining, was a resolution to name an ad hoc committee to revise and finalize the ASUN Student Fee Proposal for Senate approval. This committee will also present the plan to the Administrative Task Force for its use and consideration. Mark Molacek is chairman of the ad hoc committee.

Interim not cancelled

Students normally are looking ahead to vacations, but this is ridiculous.

The *Daily Nebraskan* has been plagued with inquiries about the length of the 1973-74 winter interim. Apparently some students believe that the four week vacation period is to be cancelled.

"Let's squelch this rumor," said Gerald Bowker, UNL vice chancellor for academic affairs. Bowker said Wednesday that the interim would be shortened by two days, but not cancelled. Interim will be Dec. 21, 1973 to Jan. 14, 1974.

"It's going to be about three days shorter," he said, "but there will still be about four weeks for any classes which might be held. In the past most (classes) didn't last the full four weeks anyway."

Ticket scalpers privateer profits



by Bart Becker

The success of the Big Red provides a lot of income to a lot of people, and at least one UNL student is getting his share of the pie. The student, who necessarily remains anonymous, figures to make about \$150 this season selling his own and other students' tickets.

He said he sold 15 season tickets before the home season started—after the opening game loss to UCLA—for about \$50 to \$80. The going rate for tickets which are sold each game is about \$25 to \$50.

The enterprising ticket hawker got his start as a UNL freshman. A friend sold his ticket for him and split the \$15 profit. He quickly realized that he

could sell it himself and get the whole bundle.

Last year he and three friends pooled their tickets to offer a four-seat block to prospective buyers. A deal for all the tickets with an Omaha insurance man—for \$100 a ticket—fell through before the season began.

So they sold their ducats week by week with pretty good success. The only major drawback for ticket sales or prices is the weather.

"One game last year, my partner was left standing outside the stadium in the rain holding 35 student tickets," he said. "As it gets colder, less people are going to the games."

He now collects and dispenses other students' tickets weekly. He offers a

standing guarantee of nine dollars, or less if the ticket sells for less. His profits come from a 10 per cent commission on every sale of \$10 or more.

"There is active competition in the University," he said. "There are a large number of people with tickets who need money. The natural thing to do is to sell the tickets."

He said the threat of ticket confiscation can be shrugged off. He said confiscated tickets are returned with an "official scolding."

An additional boon to the student ticket dealer was an administrative goof-up on this year's ticket sales.

"It was possible to buy two tickets," he said. "You could have

bought a ticket last spring, picked it up, then claimed to have lost your I.D. By getting a new I.D. it became possible to get another ticket in the general sales."

He said he's heard rumors of corruption among the ticket takers. For instance, he said one ticket taker was reportedly confiscating tickets and then reselling them.

Because the cold weather effectively slows down the ticket trade, the student offered "a piece of advice to the good readers of the *Daily Nebraskan*:"

"Go to the last game. It's going to be cold anyway and ticket prices will go way down."