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Ann Henry, ASUN president, is explaining the student point of view on the alcohol proposal to D.B. Varner, University president, (center) and Regent Dr. Robert Koefoot, chairman of the Board.

## Koefoot frustrates Henry

"It's frustrating trying to talk to Robert Koefoot," Ann Henry, ASUN president said after the Regents' advisory meeting Friday evening.

Only three of eight Board members were present when the advisory board meeting started. Two arrived late. The meeting lasted 45 minutes.

Henry, at a 15-minute late start gave the student governments of UNO, the Medical Center and UNL only 45 minutes which was given to UNL to speak on coed visitation, alcohol on campus and PACE.

Miss Henry was successful in changing tuition statements to allow two totals, one total without a \$3.50 PACE contribution for low-income scholarships and one with PACE, so students would have an equal opportunity to choose either.

However, arguments concerning the alcohol proposal seemed to fall on deaf ears. After the meeting Regent Dr. Robert Koefoot said, "Alcohol on campus would be a distinct liability and would do no appreciable good. Alcohol would cause ill feelings towards the University from the Legislature and the state."

Time ran out before visitation could be discussed.

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### To Students:

I would like to commend you for behaving responsibly as you presented your points of view in this very controversial and highly emotional issue. I think that you have gained new respect from the Regents because of your calm attitudes during the several times that you have met with them to discuss the pros and cons of the issue just decided.

Now comes your most difficult test; you have been denied something that you fervently believe in. Will you, as some predict, "throw a tantrum" because you didn't get your way, or will you demonstrate to the Regents, your parents, and all Nebraskans that you do possess the maturity of young adulthood by your ability to remain calm in the face of frustration, by your patience in dealing with those who do not share your views, and by your trying to understand, without necessarily accepting, attitudes that are different from your own?

The reaction of the student body to the decision made at this meeting will have a profound effect on the chances of reopening the question at some future date.

### To All Nebraskans:

To many of you, the idea of allowing 19-year-olds to make a personal choice regarding the use of alcoholic beverages in their residence halls at the University of Nebraska seems preposterous. For many others, the very thought of allowing the consumption of alcoholic beverages anywhere on the campus is repugnant. The students of this University and I respect your views but we do not share them. The issue has not been whether the use of alcohol is right or wrong, but whether the choice should be made individually by those to whom the law has already given the right to choose.

One final point. The residence halls occupied by students were not built by tax dollars; they are not heated or air-conditioned by tax dollars, nor are they maintained by tax dollars.

The Regents have acted today on an issue of high emotional impact, and the students at this University will abide by that decision.

Chancellor J.H. Zumberge

## Thanks to Zumberge

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank Chancellor Zumberge for his honesty with students in favorably recommending two proposals before the Bored of Regents Saturday. The proposals dealt with legalization of alcohol on campus and liberalization of NU's restrictive Coed Visitation regulations. Both were, as should have been expected, rejected by the Bored.

Unlike his predecessor, Joe Soshnik or our current president, D.B. Varner, Chancellor Zumberge has not apparently compromised himself to the extent that he would refuse to recognize as reasonable these reforms to improve the campus living environment; nor has he simply avoided contact with students and student opinion.

I would like to give further thanks—to the Bored of Regents for doing *their* thing in killing the proposals which many students worked so hard for. The Bored's consistency of rejection and lack of concern for student welfare should, perhaps, enlighten a remaining minority.

This minority would have us believe that careful working through the channels, gaining rubberstamp approval as one works up the bureaucratic ladder, will surely pay off. *It simply ain't true folks.*

Congratulations must also be extended to RHA (NU's Residence Hall Association) for its ignorance of campus history, failing to recognize that student pressure has been the *only* effective method of gaining controversial student reforms.

During the summer of 1971, for example, the Bored of Regents rejected without reason a 12-hour visitation policy. If RHA was at all serious it should have realized that summer was the worst possible time to present a new proposal to the Regents. Organized student pressure is totally absent during this time period. There is no Daily Nebraskan to contend with, there are no aspiring potential ASUN execs to gain popularity by taking tough stands against the Regents, in short, no fight.

To conclude, it should be time that more students, especially upperclassmen, realize that Regents' rules are a joke even more than our own ASUN. To do anything but ignore those rules is to place yourself as the object of that joke.

Robert L. Brehm

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