

## ASUN approves lawyer

A student lawyer program consisting of an attorney, volunteer law clerks and one secretary has been appropriated \$9,370 in the ASUN budget proposal approved by ASUN Saturday.

The senate passed a resolution establishing and funding the Legal Aid to Students Office (LASO). The resolution said the program would include "a bonafide attorney who will be held on retainer by ASUN to maintain regular office hours, and at his discretion (this is ethically required) give advice and council to students as well as represent them in

court except that he may not litigate cases against the University of Nebraska or its agents."

The last restriction would prevent a student from bringing legal action against the Board of Regents through the student fee supported LASO. The ASUN budget, which includes the LASO program, must be approved by the Regents.

The senate approved the third draft of the budget request put together by the ASUN executives with one minor change. An additional \$300 was given to the student services committee making the

total budget request \$43,779.63.

Of the total \$9,370 is allocated to the LASO program for a part-time lawyer (\$7500), secretary (\$1620) and office expenses (\$250). Law clerks will work on a volunteer basis.

The LASO program will be open to any fee paying UNL student and will be free of charge except for actual court costs.

Senator Dave Thurber, who introduced the LASO resolution, said he would like the program to start in September, but it won't start until all problems are ironed out.

### Who wants justice

Thurber said they need to find a lawyer who isn't interested only in money, but who wants justice. Several lawyers are interested, he said.

He said the lawyer might be in the office one day a week. A committee was formed to refine the proposal and determine where and when the lawyer would work. Students wishing to join the committee should contact the ASUN office.

When seeking legal help students will call for an appointment and talk to the secretary, who will arrange a meeting with a law clerk. The clerk will give preliminary advice and decide whether the case merits further attention from the lawyer.

Thurber said the lawyer would be able to help students with arrests, landlord complaints and contracts.

He said students who are arrested, need a student lawyer to turn to, especially out-state students who know no lawyers in Lincoln.

### ASUN goals

The goals of the ASUN executives also were listed in the budget request as providing more services to students, improving the quality of education, increasing involvement in campus life and providing students with an avenue for problem solving.

One change from the second draft of the budget concerned money allocated for long distance phone calls. After reading an article in the *Summer Nebraskan* stating ASUN could use the state and national toll-free WATS line, Ann Henry, ASUN president, said she changed the \$600 figure allocated for long distance calls to \$280.

The additional money, however, was not cut from the budget. One hundred dollars was added to xerox expenses and an additional \$220 was placed with miscellaneous expenses, senator Doug Johnson said.

Eight thousand dollars was allocated for student organizations and activities outside of ASUN. Last year, \$10,200 was allocated to outside groups. Preliminary funding requests from 24 outside groups total \$32,763.96.



Senators listen to budget discussions at the first ASUN summer meeting.

Summer Nebraskan photo

## Union prices rolled back

By Vicki Pulos  
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If you are drinking a chocolate malt in the Union, President Richard Nixon saved you a nickel.

The University business office determined that Phase three and one half price guidelines apply to the Union's June 11 hike in food prices. Prices were rolled back on food and certain other items last Thursday.

Last Tuesday a lunch in the Crib consisting of a sloppy joe, sliced tomato salad, french fries and a chocolate malt cost \$1.45 plus tax. That same meal costs \$1.20 plus tax today. Three of the items are five cents cheaper and the cost of a tomato salad is down 10 cents. Other prices, such as those of hamburgers and cheeseburgers were never raised.

The University's second price hike in the last three months took effect at the beginning of the first summer session, June 11. Two days later President Nixon announced the price freeze which required prices returned to the level they were during the first eight days of June. The Union

hike was three days past the deadline.

### Investigation necessary

According to Daryl Swanson, assistant director of the Union, previous price freezes had affected the University differently, so an investigation was necessary to determine if the new guidelines applied to the school. The business office began a reading immediately, but specified the University's position just last week; prices were rolled back accordingly. Prices are now at the level set by the March 28 price increase.

The University was relatively exempt from Phase II and III guidelines under various criteria, among them: the University's role as a state institution, an educational body and an enterprise realizing a dollar volume below the minimum. The latest guidelines, however, will affect Union food service prices for the next sixty days, the time required in the federal policy. After that period, barring further executive action, the June 11 prices will return.

### Under a strain

Without the price increase the Union will be under a strain. "We're having real problems; we'll survive obviously," Swanson said. "As far as we can tell the guidelines don't apply to the wholesale products we buy. We're operating at less than the desired profit margin, although the Union has always had prices lower than commercial establishments." He said the basic objective for Union prices is to break even, but the Union is losing money now. For the summer, losses are minimized by a lower volume of business.

Bob Richeson, food service manager for the Union, added, "We're anxious to comply with the freeze, but as soon as it is possible we must raise prices again." He cited the rapidly rising cost of food items as the cause for past and future hikes in Union prices.

Richeson said he was unaware of student complaints concerning a violation of the guidelines between the time of Nixon's speech, June 31, and the price rollback on July 5.

## 39 crimes, 6 arrests on campus in June

There were 39 criminal offenses reported in June including one attempted rape and two related arrests on campus, according to campus security.

The 39 offenses included the attempted rape, 3 assaults, one of which was an assault against an officer, three burglaries and 32 larcenies.

There also were two drug arrests and two alcohol-related arrests, for a total of six arrests.

There was \$935 in accidental breakage and vandalism to property last month.

The burglaries netted a total of \$63 in cash and valuables, while the larcenies accounted for \$1,419 in stolen cash and property including six bicycles valued at \$426.

In May there were 33 offenses reported including one burglary, which netted \$6, and 32 larcenies where \$3,584 worth of property and cash was stolen. Property damage was \$1,019. Two arrests were made.

In May of 1972, 40 offenses were reported and five arrests made. There was one assault, eight burglaries and 31 larcenies. The burglaries were valued at \$377

and the larcenies at \$1,213. Property damage was \$1,664.

Last May nine bicycles valued at \$800 were stolen. In May, 1972, nine were stolen valued at \$935. And in May of 1971, 21 bicycles valued at \$2,059 were stolen.

Robert Edmunds, campus security investigator, said locking doors would help reduce crime more than anything. He said many problems are caused by students, who come to the University from rural backgrounds, where they never had been forced to lock doors.

He also said it was important to be able to identify stolen articles. He suggested marking all valuables or recording serial numbers of valuable items.

He also said it is important to immediately report a stolen item to campus police, personally. He said the sooner campus security knows, the better the chance of catching the thief and returning the stolen property.

The time between the crime and when the crime is reported gives the criminal a chance to get away from the scene and dispose of the merchandise, Edmunds said.

## Regents consider student fees

The Board of Regents will consider a student fee allocation proposal and guidelines for the 1974-75 budget at their July meeting this Saturday.

A change in student fee allocation is proposed in a report by Ken Bader, vice chancellor for student affairs. The proposal would establish an allocation board to govern student fees.

The allocation board would evaluate requests for student fee moneys and make recommendations to Bader.

The program would work from a zero base budget concept where organizations wanting student fee money would start with zero funding each year. During the first year of the allocation

the board would not be allowed to increase or decrease any current fee user requests for continuing funds by more than 25 per cent.

The zero base concept would not apply to services, facilities and personnel salaries in such departments as the Union, University Health Center, student activities office and recreation department.

The board would be composed of eight students, two faculty and two staff members.

Allocation board decisions could be appealed to the Council of Student Life (CSL).

The Regents' meeting is in the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center in Clay Center. The Regents will tour the research center and have an open meeting at 10 a.m.