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ACT plans new role for ASUN

By Susanne Schafer

Student government is dead, says the executive slate candidates of the Active Communications Together party, and they suggest that their student corporation replace it.

The wheels of student activities would run more smoothly if greased by using business procedures, states the ACT platform.

ACT is one of four parties in the ASUN election, to be held one week from today.

"ACT views ASUN as a student corporation," states the party platform.

Every student is a member of this corporation, ACT says, and buys stock in it every semester through University Program and Facility Fees. ACT says it views the ASUN Senate not as a legislative body, but as "the board of directors who determine how ASUN's revenues may be spent to best benefit the members of the corporation."

Todd McDaniel is the ACT candidate for president. Sharing the ACT banner are Marti Ochsner, candidate for first vice president, and Norm Brown, candidate for second vice president.

"Tangible services" for the student are what ACT promises in its party platform. ACT states that it will work in the areas of student services, advocacy, communication, and also envisions some reform of ASUN Senate and for its committees.

The party's name points toward one of the party's major concerns: letting students know what is happening in the ASUN Senate and getting information from students back to senators.

McDaniel, the chairman of the ASUN liaison program during the past year, has had the duty of arranging ASUN's lines of communication with students.

The primary concern of students on campus today is their living condition—both on and off campus,

McDaniel said in an interview Tuesday.

McDaniel, who lives in the Delta Upsilon fraternity house, said he believed that students are first concerned about determining their own living conditions and, at the same time, "feel helpless because they can't get anything changed." He ranked academic quality of the university as next in the list of student concerns.

The ACT platform answers those concerns by supporting the CSL differentiated housing proposal, LB783 the legislative bill that would allow the consumption and sale of alcohol on campus, and continuing the litigation of the Residence Hall Assoc.-ASUN lawsuit against the Board of Regents challenging visitation policies if the present suit is defeated.

ACT says it promises to create a landlord-tenant resource center, which would have information on all apartments for rent in the Lincoln community. Tenant evaluations of both apartments and landlords, model leases and information about legal routes open to students with landlord problems also would be available in the center, the platform states.

Support for the ASUN Book Exchange, student supported scholarships such as PACE, the Associated Student Ko-op, the Legal Aid to Students program and the Free University is expressed in the platform.

ACT pledges that it will seek to make the law library more available to students by increasing the amount of their office hours.

The party states that it will seek to publish a "comprehensive publication containing class descriptions and student evaluations of faculty and course offerings."

Under the advocacy section of the platform, ACT suggests adopting a

"central advising system for each college ... consisting of a full-time advising staff with students supplied through work-study programs as advisers."

Although it does not have a married student in its party, ACT says it intends to seek support for special married student housing and the infant and child day care centers.

ACT says the state of Nebraska should institute state financial aid programs for its college students and also pledges to lobby for the constitutional amendment which would place students on the Board of Regents.

The constitutional amendment to restructure ASUN does not receive ACT's support of ACT, which suggests that a constitutional convention be called instead.

A debate among the four parties is scheduled for Thursday in the Nebraska Union at 12:30 p.m.



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