Health center open hearing attended by one

Only one student took advantage of the "open door" during the first hour of the students' open hearing on reorganization of the University Health Center (UHC).

Members of the University Health Center Advisory Committee, appointed by UNL Chancellor James Zumberge, had the second of two hearings Monday afternoon. The hearings are to seek advice from students and health center personnel on the reorganization of UHC, according to Dr. Fred Luthans, chairman of the committee.

He reminded the single student who

attended, Jane Steenburg, that the purpose of the committee was to advise the chancellor on reorganization plans for the health center, and he refused to discuss the division of the UHC departments.

Controversy has emerged over administrative proprosals to reorganize the UHC and because of subsequent resignations of Dr. Frank Stone and Dr. Robert Garlinghouse, former UHC staff members. Twenty-seven other UHC staff members have also hinted at possible resignations because of the controversy. According to the reorganization plan, the center would

be divided in two; a Nebraska Center for Health Education would be established and several departments from the clinical divisions of the center be grouped into the second division.

The 27 physicians, in a letter to the Board of Regents, stated that they oppose the proprosed reorganization.

The administration of the center is being changed, to separate the departments supported by student fees from those that should not receive fees, Zumberge has said.

The redivision has been completed, and the duty of the committee is how to advise the chancellor on how to organize the clinical division of the center, according to Luthans. Luthans is a professor of management at UNL.

One open hearing on the reorganization plans has been held, Luthans said, and about 50 members of the UHC staff attended.

"We got a large input from the staff, and all departments were represented," he said. No other open hearings are planned, Luthans said. Members of the committee said "they thought" that announcements of the Monday hearing had been made. The committee must report to the chancellor by May 1.

If any students wish to comment on the health center, make suggestions to the committee on how the center could be improved, or discuss the requirements for a new director of the center, they should contact Luthans or other members of the committee, Luthans said.

Steenberg, past president of the Student Council on Health, which advises the health center administration, said she attended the meeting to say that "all the services in the center are related and the administration would work more effectively as one unit. It may still work as two fragments, but not as effectively."

Steenberg told the committee she began her term on the council as "antistudent health "but that she thought the present services are adequate. Student complaints are handled through the advisory council she said. Most students complain about waiting lines in the center, she said.

"It's too bad that students do not know what problems the health center is having," she said, commenting on the proposed reorganization.

"I think that most students are satisfied with the service that they get at the center or more students would have come to the hearing to complain," she said.



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Student court, in eighth year, is 'firmly established'-justice

By Scott Svoboda

When the ASUN Senate wrote its first constitution in the 1964-65 school year, a student court also was set up to settle questions pertaining to that constitution.

Now in its eighth year of existence (the 1972-73 Senate failed to select seven justices), the student court is established firmly, according to Don Armbrust, a UNL Law College junior and chief justice for the court.

"It (the court) is not like a student tribunal, as it is set up to decide questions," Armbrust said. "It's the judicial branch of ASUN."

Of the court's seven justices, three, including Armbrust, are from the school. Each outgoing

Regent dies after surgery

NU Regent J.G. Elliot of Scottsbluff died Wednesday in an Omaha hospital after undergoing heart surgery at the NU Medical Center. Elliot was serving his 20th year on the Board of Regents. He was 78.

A representative of Sixth District, he was not seeking re-election this year. Eight persons have filed for his seat on the board.

Elliot headed the J.G. Elliot Insurance Co. in Scottsbluff. He was president of the Board of Regents in 1960, 1962 and 1967.

Gov. J.J. Exon said he would appoint Elliot's successor at a later date. senate chooses seven new justices, who hold their positions for one year.

Only one question has been brought to this year's court, according to Armbrust.

The question challenged an alleged change in the ASUN electoral commission rules regulating the pooling of Senatorial candidates' money into a party coffer. ASUN President Ron Clingenpeel said he contended that a change occurred in the campaign rules after the campaign regulations had already been approved by the 1973 ASUN Senate.

In writing his first opinion (in which he upheld the ASUN Electoral Commission), Armbrust noted that he had no precedent from previous cases in deciding the outcome other than using "plain common sense and reasoning." The court decided that candidates running for ASUN Senate could not pool their funds, although executive candidates could. Clingenpeel said he had believed senatorial candidates also could.

Armbrust said it is rumored that another complaint will be brought to the student court very soon.

He said the court will follow all the rules of procedure if the case does appear, since there's no time limit on the decision this time.

Since his appointment to fill a vacated spot left last December, Armbrust has been asked to serve another term as chief justice.

"I want to be on the court for next year because I'll have been chosen in proper fashion so there'll be no complaints that I'm biased or prejudiced," he said.





Proper gear is needed for camping, hiking.

Good gear keeps you truckin'

By Charles Johnson

People often spend more for hiking and backpacking equipment than is necessary, according to Jan Perrin, a Lincoln backpacking lecturer and employe of a hiking supply shop.

While good equipment is necessary, people often buy boots that are too heavy and packs that are too large, he said.

When buying hiking boots, one should look for "something that will give you good support," he said. "You don't need a heavy boot. Heavy boots don't flex enough. For someone who's going to be hiking on normal trails, tennis shoes are acceptable."

Fit is the most important criterion in boot selection according to Harvey Manning in Backpacking: One Step At a Time. If a boot doesn't feel comfortable in the store, it will feel worse on the trail, he wrote.

Presuming one is going to venture at least slightly off the beaten path, he should invest in a quality pair of hiking boots, of which there are many types to choose.

The two styles of boot leather are with the hair side, (the side facing out on the cow) or reverse leather, which has the skin side facing out.

According to Menning, the hair, or smooth side, is

tougher, more water repellent and smoother. However, the outer covering is thin, and after it wears away, the boot becomes less waterproof.

Reverse leather wears away bit by bit, making the boot more waterproof in the long run. But, "The quality of the cowhide is more important than the processing employed," he noted.

Perrin recommended a boot of full-grained leather, with the hair, or smooth, side facing out. A boot should have a full steel shank and a rocker, rather than a flat sole, he said. A rocker sole provides a natural forward movement of the boot without bending the sole.

For average hiking, Perrin advised buying a medium weight boot, which ranges in price from \$28 to \$75. "Most kids are buying boots that are too heavy," he said, "They're good for rock climbing.

Backpacking: One Step At a Time divides legitimate hiking boots into three categories: trail boots, scrambling boots and climbing boots.

Trail boots are designed for moutain trails and slightly rugged terrain. Scrambling boots are designed for trails with water and rocks and off trail travel through moraines, snow and brush. Climbing boots are designed for scaling rocky slopes.

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