

Reaction of Greeks endorsed by slate varies

Most of the candidates on the Greek slate for today's ASUN election agree that its purpose is to gain student input into the election, to get more students out to vote and to get Greeks involved in ASUN Senate.

But some slate members, who also are candidates from three of the four recognized parties and independent candidates, said they have reservations about the way the slate was selected and question whether it will fulfill its purpose.

The Daily Nebraskan interviewed 37 of the 50 candidates who are on the Greek slate.

Mary Johnson (Alliance of Concerned Students-ACS), Alpha Xi Delta member running for Teachers College senator, said she is not sure the slate is fair. She said it will hurt her party's chances of being elected.

She also said not all Greeks who wanted to run for ASUN Senate were endorsed on the slate.

Not all Greeks were endorsed because the slate makers wanted the best qualified candidates—candidates who had the best chance of getting elected—, according to Tom M. Miller (Independent), Triangle member running for College of Architecture senator.

He said he was selected for the slate because he is a former house president and has held other offices.

Secrecy bothersome

Clarke J. Stevens (ACS), Acacia member running for Professional Colleges senator, said he does not like what he called the secrecy behind the slate. He said he wished he had been told his name was on the slate before it was distributed.

Many persons on the slate said they knew they were on it several days before it was read to the members of their respective houses.

"I can see how independents (non-Greeks) would be upset (with the slate) because it sounds subversive," Stevens said.

Ken Christoffersen (University Student Awareness-USA), Alpha Tau Omega member running for Arts and Sciences College senator, agreed that the slate might alienate persons living in residence halls.

"I used to live in a dorm and I know dorm kids," he said. Christoffersen added that he thinks Greek students will vote for him and said he hopes this will "even out" the vote.

Dennis Martin (New Student Coalition-NSC), Farmhouse member running as second vice-presidential candidate, said he had heard the Greek slate was going to endorse him but said he did not completely endorse the Greek ticket.

Lorraine Hughes (ACS), Delta Delta Delta member running for Arts and Sciences College senator, agreed the slate is a "kind of controversial issue."

The Greek slate is a good idea if it rallies Greeks and other students to vote and support people for ASUN elections, she said.

"I just kind of question the force of a few people instead of a majority behind it," Hughes said.

She added that even though she questions the selection process, she commends those who organized the slate for their ideas.

Eveland to blame

Marian Lucas (NSC), Gamma Phi Beta member running for Arts and Sciences senator, said she thought the idea of a Greek slate was good at first because it "would have brought ASUN viewpoints into the Greek houses."

She said she changed her mind about the slate's value because of the "way it has been handled."

"I really put the blame on Al Eveland," she said. "He hurt the Greek slate by not releasing it earlier and out in the open. He went about it all the wrong way."

Eveland is a Delta Tau Delta member and last year's Interfraternity Council (IFC) president who said he coordinated The Committee of "the Faction" which selected the slate.

Another slate member, who wished to remain anonymous said "if it's possible to run ASUN, that group up there (in the IFC office) will find a way to do it."

Welcome any endorsement

He said the slate is supposed to be a way to unite Greeks and to get them involved in ASUN Senate, but that he is sure there is "more behind it."

Others who accepted the endorsement of the Greek slate but questioned the way they said it was handled include Roger Davis (USA), Alpha Gamma Sigma member running for College of Agriculture senator; Laura Schory (USA), Kappa Kappa Gamma member running for Teachers College senator and Ted McConnell (ASC), Acacia member running for College of Business Administration senator.

"I will welcome endorsement from anyone who thinks I'm qualified," McConnell said. But, "It would have been better public relations for them (The Committee of "The Faction") to contact individuals (who were on the slate)," he added.

"One thing they're doing is putting Greek against Greek and endorsing one Greek over another," McConnell said. "They should've opened it (the selection process) up to more than just a "Faction"—

they should've taken it back to house presidents."

Slate valid

Several slate members said they thought the Greek slate was simply a valid way to get students out to vote and to get Greek input in ASUN Senate. They include Mary Jeanne Williams, Pi Beta Phi member running for Teachers College advisory board; Sheri Blanc, Alpha Xi Delta member running for College of Home Economics advisory board; Lana Maroff, Alpha Phi member running for the College of Home Economics advisory board; Larry Beiermann, Ag Men member running for College of Agriculture advisory board; Sandra D. Irwin, Alpha Phi member running for Teachers College advisory board; Gary L. Hoffman, Chi Phi member running for Arts and Sciences College advisory board; Jane McGee (Independent), Kappa Delta member running for Home Economics senator; Mary Ann O'Leary, Kappa Delta member running for Home Economics College advisory board; Bill Mueller (Independent), Phi Delta Theta member running for president; and Steve Upton (USA), Ag Men member running for College of Agriculture senator.

Upton said he is perturbed at the way people think it (the Greek slate) is "big deal." It is just a way to get out the Greek vote, he said, adding that he is satisfied with the slate.

Another slate member, who asked not to be identified, said the slate is "not subversive... the way some people think it is." He said there may have been good reasons for keeping the slate secret because "independents who don't know anything about it" think the Greek system is trying to gain control. "Rumors are being spread by those people who don't have anything better to do," he said.

Other Greek slate members interviewed by the Daily Nebraska include:

Charles Fellingham (ACS), Acacia member running for Arts and Sciences College senator.

Jerry D. Peterson (NSC), Alpha Gamma Sigma member running for College of Agriculture senator.

Brian Schellpeper, Ag Men member running for the College of Agriculture advisory board.

Nancy Fahlberg (USA), Alpha Chi Omega member running for College of Business Administration senator.

Phil Johnson (Independent), Beta Sigma Psi member running for Arts and Sciences College senator.

Joe Stavas (USA), Delta Tau Delta member running for College of Engineering and Technology senator.

Ron Heerten, Farmhouse member running for College of Agriculture advisory board.

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Centennial enrollment boost aided by publicity

After a two-year enrollment slump, Centennial College is increasing its numbers again.

Enrollment is expected to increase even more next semester when the Centennial program is included in "Information for New Students", a booklet sent to enrolling freshmen.

Centennial has been omitted from the booklet for the past two years, although Centennial Director Nelson Potter, associate professor of philosophy, said he does not know why.

This semester's enrollment was 177, which Potter said is the highest in two years.

Potter attributed advertising and publicity for the increased enrollment in Centennial, which was started in 1969, NU's centennial year.

In spring 1970, after NU President D.B. Varner traveled statewide promoting the program, and after much publicity, Centennial achieved its highest enrollment of 241 this year, Potter said.

However, he said he thinks 241 is too many students.

"With the nature of our program, I think we shouldn't go too large," Potter said.

Most Centennial students live in Love and Heppner Halls in the Neihardt Resident Center, which is also the location of about half of their classes.

They are required to take the six-credit-hour "Centennial Course," which consists of one or more projects proposed by students or Fellows (Centennial faculty members).

If more than 200 students apply for the Centennial program, Potter said, names are chosen at random. Centennial is not an honors program, he said.

However, he said, "when someone has to select themselves, it tends to attract above average students."

Since 1971, six out of the 14 UNL students who have won Fulbright-Hayes Scholarships for overseas study have been Centennial students, he said.

ASUN agenda

The ASUN Senate meets tonight at 6:30 in Nebraska Union 202.

- I. Executive Report
 - A. Student Affairs Staff Meeting
 - B. Council on Student Life
 - C. Regents Meeting
 - D. Student Fee Report
 - E. Minnesota-Student Lobby
- II. Open Forum
- III. Old Business
 - A. Committee Reports-Bookstore
 - B. Nebraska Association of Students Constitution

- C. Vehicle Usage Committee
- D. McDonald's Reasoning Hearing

- IV. New Business
 - A. Resolution No. 73 - Handicapped
 - B. Resolution No. 74 - 10th St. Traffic Problem
 - C. Resolution No. 75 - Bookstore Report
 - D. Resolution No. 76 - University Bookstore
 - E. Resolution No. 77 - Student Fee Report
 - F. Constitutions-UGO; IFC
- V. Announcements