

ASUN seeks student views on Union policy

By Betsie Ammons

The ASUN Senate Wednesday night approved three resolutions calling for surveys to determine students' feelings about the newly constructed Nebraska Union Bakery, the Union advertising campaign, the proposed construction of signs in the Union and a nearby parking garage.

The decision was reached after an hour of discussion between senators and Union Director Allen Bennett on whether or not the students have a voice in Union improvements.

The resolutions, proposed by Graduate College Sen. Frank Thompson, stated that the Union should be "responsive to the students' needs." Thompson contended that Union improvement, paid for in part by student fees, were made without consulting students.

The resolutions ask that letters be sent to Chancellor Roy Young, Acting Vice Chancellor Ron Gierhan, Bennett and the Union Board.

Concerning the proposed \$35,000 sign construction, Bennett told the senate the funds which had been in reserve since 1969 would be used to finance their construction. He said the project was approved by the Union Board.

"There is no organizational structure which requires I advise with the Senate," he said. "As far as I'm concerned, the signs will be installed."

He said the only way he would delay sign construction was if the Senate took the issue before the Union Board. Bidding for sign construction is scheduled to begin next week.

Bennett said he feels he is responsible to the administration, and that students do have input through the Union Board.

Students have a voice about the parking garage through a committee compiled by Chancellor Roy Young to study the garage's feasibility, Bennett said. He added that he thinks garage construction would be possible only if it supports itself. No student fee increase will be required if it is built, he said.

However, senators expressed concern that the Union, funded in large part by student fees, is losing money.

The December deficit from Union operations is \$32,612, Bennett reported. He said the union income is "eroding daily" which makes the advertising campaign necessary to bring persons outside the university into the Union.

Graduate Sen. Fred Kary told Bennett he felt a line should be drawn between asking the public to patronize the Union and "commercializing" it.

Sen. McConnell quoted the Union Board bylaws, which state the Union is a "living room of the college" for use primarily by students, faculty and the administration.

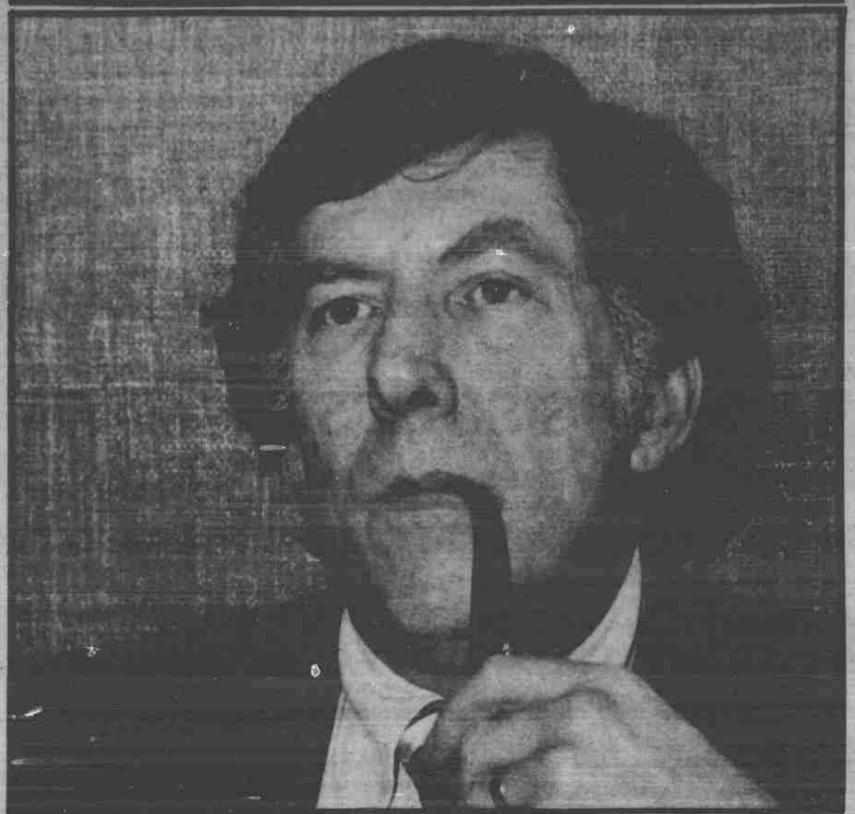
Bennett countered that statement by illustrating state law, which says since tax money is used to support the Union, it is a public institution.

The Senate also asked Bennett for a financial report on the Union Bakery, and an account of how it was approved.

In other business, the Senate approved Organic Acts Four and Five calling for more ASUN control of student fees allocation.

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Nebraska Union Director, Allen Bennett.

Bond set for weekend suspects if bill is approved

If you happen to be arrested after 4 p.m. on a Friday and don't have access to a judge who will set bond for you, you face staying behind bars all weekend.

But if the Nebraska Legislature approves a bill introduced by Omaha Sen. Larry Stoney, judges will find themselves on call when court is out of session, Stoney told the Legislature's Judiciary Committee during a Monday hearing.

Currently, if the courts have closed, a suspect without "access to a judge through an attorney," must stay in jail until at least the next working day, Stoney said.

LB 111 seeks "to provide a uniform bond setting plan," said Stoney, who suggests a rotation schedule be used to insure that a county and municipal judge always is available in a county of at least 150,000 people.

Speaking for the Criminal Defense Association in Omaha, attorney Paul E. Watts said he knows of cases where the

suspect has spent from Saturday until Tuesday or Wednesday in jail.

Suits filed

He said defense lawyers are starting to file "basic denial of due process" suits in such cases.

"If the police department doesn't like



you, they'll wait until 4 p.m. to arrest you," Watts said.

Adding that it is serious when an individual spends an hour in jail, he accused judges of making excuses instead of setting bond.

"I don't think they (judges) want to be bothered on weekends," Watts said.

Opposing the bill, Judge William Ryan spoke on behalf of municipal judges.

Complicated issue

He called the matter a "complicated issue" and questioned the wisdom of granting a judge the authority to set bond before a county attorney has set the charge.

"There's a man in between in this process and it's not me," Ryan said.

He asked what basis a judge should use to set bond before a charge has been filed. He told senators that to look through a police report is "sticking my nose in a place where it certainly doesn't belong."

Ryan said judges have agreed to refuse to return to the court house and set bond after hours. This agreement is an attempt to eliminate discrimination, he said.

Omaha Sen. Ernest Chambers asked why an individual arrested after 4 p.m. should not have the same opportunities as someone arrested 30 minutes earlier.

"We keep it equal," Ryan said, adding that although the practice may be wrong, it is "equal."

He said he was most concerned about Douglas County and Omaha, when asked if the bill was intended for primary cities.

Enrollment record

A second semester enrollment record of 20,921 students has been set this semester, according to UNL Chancellor Roy Young.

The previous record of 20,892 was set last year. Fall semester enrollment was 22,179.

Graduate and undergraduate enrollment increased this semester over second semester last year, but professional school enrollment dropped, figures released Wednesday indicated.

Photocopiers offer nickel portraits

By Anne Carothers

The "new" fad reportedly sweeping the nation's campuses, does not seem to be new to UNL.

The Associated Press reported last week that Michigan State University students are among those around the country "photocopying their faces in libraries around campus."

Desk workers at various UNL residence halls said they have not seen people photocopying their faces, however some said they had heard of it.

Stephanie Hoover, who works at the Harper Hall desk, said she has never seen anyone copying a face. The copy machine is beside the Harper desk.

Copies left at desk

She said, however, that around Thanksgiving someone left two copies of faces at the desk.

Peggy Nigra, a senior history and journalism major from Bellevue, said someone asked her Tuesday if she wanted to photocopy her face.

Mary Staly, who works at the circulation desk at Love Library, said she has heard of people photocopying their faces and hands.

Apparently not only students are photocopying their faces. "My boss tried it," Staly said. She declined to name her boss.

Most students who were asked about the photocopying fad had not heard about it. Those who had heard about it said people had been doing it for a long time, some since high school.

Only Xerox

Harold Bathel, UNL printing and duplicating manager,

said he did not think the process would work on any machine other than Xerox.

Tests made on various campus copy machines showed that the Xerox machine gave the highest contrast copy, but Olivetti machines did an acceptable job.

The copy machines in the Nebraska Union basement seemed to be unsatisfactory for copying faces.

Servicemen from several Lincoln copy machine companies said they did not think the light used to expose the copy would hurt the student's eyes if the eyes are closed.

They did not recommend prolonged use, however. Cathy Baird, who works at the Union bowling lanes, said she saw four male students photocopying their faces the day after the Associated Press story ran in the Omaha World-Herald. She said they didn't seem embarrassed. "They were having a good time, laughing," she said.

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Who says a nickel doesn't buy anything anymore?