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# Affiliate status splits NUPIRG, senate

By Brenda Moskovits

ASUN and NUPIRG are bumping heads about a contract giving NUPIRG affiliates status with ASUN.

Don Macke, NUPIRG director, requested to speak in open forum at tonight's ASUN meeting, but he says he "sees no reason to speak" unless ASUN can come up with a workable counterproposal to his recommendations.

Macke's name already appears on the agenda, according to Charles Fellingham, ASUN first vice president, and Macke still is planning to speak, according to Fellingham.

Macke submitted a preliminary recommendation to Fellingham, on Feb. 13, proposing that ASUN contract with NUPIRG for either a minimum number of service hours or a fixed operation budget.

Before Macke drafted the proposal, it was agreed that Fellingham would submit a counterproposal to NUPIRG's recommendation, Macke said.

Macke said he had received no formal counterproposal from ASUN, when Fellingham addressed the senate on

Macke's request, Feb. 23.

"If they are going to make public statements about our preliminary proposal . . . that's unethical," Macke said.

Fellingham said "my counterproposal is a flat no to his proposal."

ASUN will contract with NUPIRG only on a "project-by-project basis," Fellingham said.

Fellingham sent a formal statement to Macke Tuesday afternoon saying Macke's proposal is unacceptable for financial and political reasons.

Fellingham also cited the NU Board of Regents Feb. 18 decision, which restricts redistribution of Fund A money to groups under ASUN's control.

Prepaying NUPIRG for services not yet performed would contradict regents' policy, the statement said.

Despite the formal statement, Macke says he will not address the senate tonight since no workable solution has been presented.

The two groups entered into negotiations because ASUN needs nonpartisan research on various topics throughout the year and NUPIRG needs new sources of funding, Macke said.

NUPIRG has been operating since mid-January on \$1,100 appropriated from the FAB contingency fund. Macke predicted "we'll be broke again in May."

NUPIRG no longer can receive fee money, since the regent's decision to allocate Fund A to only broad-based organizations.

In the past, NUPIRG's services have been free to any student requesting them, but the group will begin contracting its services for money next year, Macke said.

NUPIRG is applying for a potential \$300,000 in grant money from both NU and public organizations.

"You can't get grants for basic operations," said Macke.

Contracting its services would help NUPIRG pay for telephones, supplies, and other office expenses not covered by grants.

## short stuff

The UNL Undergraduate Sociology Association will meet at 1:30 p.m. in Old-father Hall 722.

The East Union Program Council will meet at 6 p.m. in the East Union.

The East Campus Health Aides will meet at 7 p.m. at the East Union. Room number will be posted.

The Afro-American Collegiate Society will meet at 7 p.m. in the Cultural Center.

The Radio Club will meet at 7 p.m. in the East Union. Room number will be posted.

The UNL Spanish Club will meet Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. in the Nebraska Union Harvest Room.

NUPIRG is sponsoring a Unicameral seminar series featuring a presentation on political parties and Nebraska politics Thursday at 6 p.m. in the union.

The UNL Young Republicans will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the union. Room number will be posted.

The American Home Economics Association will meet Thursday in the East Union. Room number will be posted.

Beta Alpha Psi will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the union. Room number will be posted.

The Pre-Dent's will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Dental College.

## Flu . . .

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"We had another peak in mid-February," Bare said. "We saw 30 students in a four-hour period Feb. 18."

Bare said he thought the symptoms of Texas flu were more severe than those of the Russian, but they were similar. Symptoms are high fever, headache, and generalized aches and pains followed by congestion and cough, Bare said.

"If we catch it within the first 24-48 hours, we put them on a chemical called Amantadine," Bare said. He explained that this limits the spread of the flu virus through the body tissues and decreases the length of the illness.

After 48 hours, Bare said flu patients receive medications to relieve aches and pains. He added that no vaccine for the Russian-type is yet available.

Every doctor is different, Bare said, but he recommends students stay out of class if they have a temperature of more than 100 degrees.

Wyoming was the first state to receive the Russian flu and Colorado was the second, Bare said. He added that this could explain why the strain appeared on campus before anywhere else in the state.

"UNL has the most mobile population in the state," he said. "Student skiers probably picked it up and brought it back." He added that the university often is the first point of entry for disease in Nebraska.

"I just hope this doesn't start a panic on campus," Bare said. "Generally speaking, Russian flu is not dangerous to a person in good health."

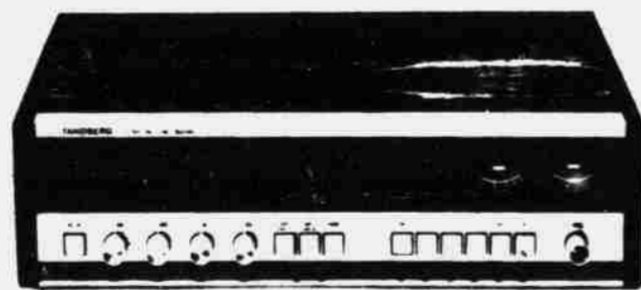
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## ASUN agenda

The ASUN Senate will meet at 6:30 tonight in room 202-202A of the Nebraska Union. The agenda is:

- I. Call to order and roll call
- II. Minutes
- III. Executive reports
- IV. Open forum
  - A. Steve Peterson, Task Force on Student Government
  - B. Don Macke, NUPIRG affiliation
- V. Senate reports
- VI. Old business
  - A. Organic Act No. 10, constitution committee procedures
  - B. Organic Act No. 11, formation of student organizations
  - C. Peer contact booklets
- VIII. New Business
  - A. 1978-79 budget request
  - B. Resolution No. 33, xerox machine
  - C. Resolution No. 34, voter turnout
- VIII. Announcements