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A Buddhist monk and nun beat their drums as they march along O Street. Participants walking from San Francisco to New York on the northern route of the World Peace March arrived in Lincoln about 4 p.m. Wednesday. The marchers will speak against nuclear arms at a June U.N. Second Special Session on Disarmament.

UPC wants more funds, independence

By Mike Patras

The University Program Council requested a \$36,037.30 increase in student fee funding for 1982-83. UPC presented its request for \$117,624.55 to the Committee for Fees Allocation Tuesday night.

UPC is a student organization with an executive board and three sub-councils, UPC-City, UPC-East and UPC-Culture Center.

In the UPC budget for 1982-83, UPC-City is asking for \$44,134. UPC-East is requesting \$16,318 and UPC-Culture Center is requesting \$12,717.

UPC plans, publicizes and implements more than 200 programs and services each year which are open to all students.

Steve Arkfeld, chairman of the UPC executive board, requested that the council become more independent of the Campus Activities and Programs Office. Arkfeld requested that UPC have its own secretary and bookkeeper.

According to Carol Pribyl, first vice president of UPC-East and secretary of the executive board, the CAP office currently does UPC's bookkeeping and general office work.

Providing a separate staff for UPC would relieve some of the CAP office's work load, Arkfeld said. "We hope to strengthen the organization and improve UPC's accountability to students," he said.

Arkfeld asked CFA for additional student fees for a

secretary for 20 hours a week and a bookkeeper for 10 hours a week, he said.

However, Robert Patterson, CFA administrative adviser, said "We should be looking for ways to use funds in terms of serving students as opposed to hiring additional employees."

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Richard Armstrong said UPC does not need to be independent of the CAP office.

Armstrong said the university wouldn't be able to influence UPC activities as much as it does now if UPC didn't operate through the CAP office. UPC members might be less likely to "seek counsel from the professionals in the CAP office, and the possibilities of problem situations would be greater," he said.

UPC also requested student fee support for the Homecoming Committee. According to Greg Bailey, chairman of the All-University Homecoming Committee 1981, the committee needs a secure and student-controlled funding source for homecoming week programs. The UPC homecoming assistance request is \$2,500.

UPC also asked \$25,067 for the Major Performing Arts Committee to assist in providing the opportunity for students to attend major performing art activities.

CFA also recommended that the Nebraska State Student Association receive an allocation of 50 cents per person per semester for 1982-83.

Free ride proposal appears ditched

By Betsy Miller

Opinions vary about the fate of an idea that would give UNL students a discount when riding Lincoln buses, but it appears the issue won't be on the March 3 student election ballot.

ASUN President Rick Mockler said "it would be safe to say" that the proposal to raise Fund A student fees \$10 so students could ride Lincoln Transportation System buses for free has been temporarily scrapped.

The proposal would have to be on the March 3 ballot, Mockler said.

However, he said the issue could be revived next year.

"I got the impression from the senate that there was strong support for the idea," Mockler said.

The word from LTS, however, is that the project is still being discussed among city officials, and could be passed on to Mayor Helen Boosalis for her approval.

"We still consider it a live thing," said Richard Rohde, LTS general manager.

Rohde said he knew that getting enough information on the project so it could be put on the March ballot would be difficult to do. But he also said LTS is not planning to stop its review of the idea.

Mockler said the idea had problems, such as an additional 25 cent fee that would be charged students who ride the bus during rush hours.

"The \$10 per semester and 25 cents charged during peak hours were not really a savings for students," Mockler said.

"We need to conduct a survey of students this year," Mockler said. The number of students who would ride the buses and the number of buses LTS would need should be considered in the survey, he said.

Rohde said he had not talked to Mockler recently, but he said LTS had a good working relationship with UNL students involved in the plan.

However, Monica Frank, chairman of the senate's Student Life Commission, said LTS and the students had a communication problem.

She said the tentative plans worked out between the students and LTS did not include the extra 25 cents for students to ride during rush hours.

Mockler said he had indicated to LTS employees Mike Stelle and John Erickson that the idea was not workable this year, but that he didn't know if they had informed Rohde of the decision.

ASUN votes against proposed organic act

By Betsy Miller

The ASUN Senate voted at its Wednesday night meeting against an act which would elect students to the senate from living units instead of from colleges on the March 3 student election ballot.

Sen. Dave Mumgaard introduced Organic Act 19, proposing that candidates running for senator would be required to live in the type of living unit they plan to represent. Sororities, fraternities, cooperatives, residence halls and off-campus housing would be the sources for senate candidates, according to the act.

The electoral commission would reapportion the senate seats according to the number of students living in each type of living unit. They had also planned to introduce Organic Act 20 which would enlarge the size of the senate from at least 35 to 40 members and would allow additional voting members to be appointed by the senate. At least 15 percent of the senate would consist of non-traditional and nonwhite members. The amendments would become effective during the spring semester of 1983.

Mumgaard said a positive vote for the acts would put them on the March 3 election ballot. He said that even if senators did not agree with the new acts, they should still vote for putting the issues on the ballot so students could decide.

"This is probably the most important thing you'll decide on all year," he said.

In support of the act to elect senators from living units, Mumgaard said that senators have had a problem communicating with their constituents in the past. He said the new basis for electing senators would solve the communication problem.

"The problem is not with the senate, but with the system," he said.

Sen. Joel Heim agreed with Mumgaard and said he felt most senators do not talk to students in their colleges about problems, but discuss the issues with the people they live with.

Sen. David Bracht disagreed with that statement.

"I feel that in my case that is completely untrue," he said.

Bracht, a senator from the College of Agriculture, added that the activities he attends relate to his field and the agriculture students he talks with are who he gets opinions from.

He also said the attempt to introduce the new acts was a "political move."

Sen. Fran Grabowski said the new ideas are needed to improve the relationship between students and the senate.

"You know there are people out there who don't think we work very well. You've met them and I've met them," he said.

The senate's Campus Life Committee also introduced a bill for discussion that would switch the \$4.63 fee for recreation programs from Fund B fees, where it is not refundable, to Fund A fees where it could be refundable.

Sen. Greg Abboud said the recreation department offers 137 different programs, but that according to a survey headed by the Committee for Fees Allocation and ASUN, only 25 percent of UNL students use the recreation department's intramural programs often.

"It's so big, but used by so few," Abboud said, referring to the programs.

ASUN President Rick Mockler said the senate should not take further action until senators have had a chance to talk with Dan Steller, who is in charge of recreation activities.

The senate also passed a bill requiring each senator to set up one office hour per week so they can meet with any constituents who want to talk to them.

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