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Hatem Hussaini

PALESTINIANS

Hussaini: U.S. should be peacemaker of world

By Lauri Hopple

Hatem Hussaini, director of the Palestine Liberation Organization Information Office in Washington, D.C., drew parallels between America's black civil rights struggles and the PLO's war with Israel in his keynote address Wednesday.

Hussaini began his speech after receiving a standing ovation and chants of "Long live PLO!" before the Model United Nations in the Nebraska Union Centennial Room.

Hussaini called the PLO's struggle a freedom fight because the Israelis expelled the Palestinians from their homeland in order to create a Jewish state. He called the expulsion morally wrong, saying that the Israelis had no right to take over Palestine as retribution for the World War II holocaust.

"It's wrong to correct one holocaust by causing another through denying the Palestinians their homeland," he said.

Hussaini also said some Israelis are protesting Menachem Begin's attacks on Palestinians and they are beginning to support the PLO as a group fighting for its freedom.

"The terrorist in the Middle East is Begin," Hussaini said, a statement that brought loud cheers from the audience.

"We don't condone terrorism," Hussaini said, adding that Israel has used propaganda that condemns PLO tactics in order to justify their attacks on refugee camps. Hussaini said Israel justified attacks on Beirut hospitals by claiming that the hospitals contained PLO ammunition.

"It was an excuse to bomb hospitals, it was totally false and was an Israeli propaganda plot," he said.

"It is time to take action and stop sending instruments of death to the Mideast," Hussaini said.

The role of the United States is not to be the policeman of the world, but to be the peacemaker, Hussaini said. It is not to

send military support, but to send social and economic support to the needy all over the world. The United States should share part of its wealth and lead in the role of the peacemaker.

He suggested turning Jerusalem, a city that has caused much of the Middle Eastern conflict because of its religious value, into an international city.

"Jerusalem must not be a political city but remain a spiritual city, a city above politics for Jews, Moslems and Christians," he said. This is our real message, coexistence, but you don't see that on the networks."

Hussaini also suggested that the solution could be the return of the entire state of Palestine, but his people will accept a state on any part of Palestine that Israel will evacuate, he added.

"This is a minimum and is achievable," he said.

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Nuclear freeze question to go on ASUN ballot

By Vicki Ruhga

By a narrow margin, ASUN passed a bill to place question about a nuclear freeze between the United States and the Soviet Union on the March 9 ASUN election ballot.

Sen. Kathy Roth, who submitted the bill for the electoral commission, said the question was sponsored by the UNL Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign. The UNL group would pay the fee to include it on the ballot. It does not necessarily reflect the position of the ASUN Senate, she added.

Senators Reg Kuhn and Kay Hinn opposed the bill because they said some senators feel it is not a student issue. Because about 11 percent of UNL students vote in the election, the survey would not be representative of the university, Hinn said.

Sen. Clayton Reeves said that if a group goes through the proper channels, which are the Electoral Commission and the ASUN Senate, and pays the fee to have a question included, it should be put on the ballot.

ASUN also passed an act to establish ASUN Certificates of Commendation for anyone who has made a contribution to the university.

Hinn said certificates are needed because the only current form of recognition is a resolution by the senate.

In order to be eligible for a certificate, a person must be nominated by a senator. The nominees will be presented to the senate by the campus life committee.

Certificates may be awarded as appropriate, with a limit of one per month, Hinn said.

ASUN extended the filing deadline for CFA candidates, who have already filed, to Monday at 4 p.m. rather than Wednesday's deadline, to meet electoral regulations.

The extension needed because the CFA Filing Form contradicted the electoral commission rules. The number of signatures on the CFA form is 35 rather than the 50 required by the commission, and the CFA form did not specify that the signatures were to be from the respective living units of each candidate.

Reeves also submitted a bill to establish a Keep America Beautiful Program at UNL. The ASUN first vice president would serve as the liaison between UNL and the Lincoln Lancaster Clean Community System and coordinate the program on campus.

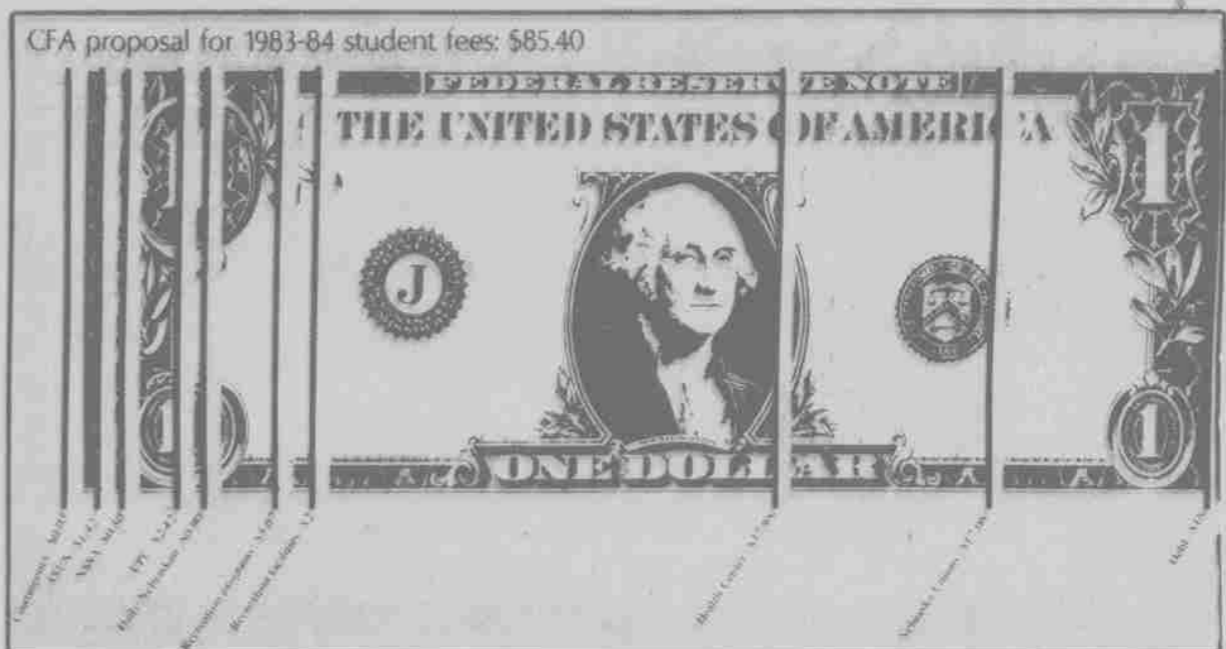
The bill states that UNL could become the first university to develop such a program and could possibly gain national attention. In addition, the program may save the university money and create intern and practicum positions.

ASUN President Dan Wedekind said that the three student groups threatened with probation had complied. The groups had been given one week to comply with university regulations regarding reporting of all money to the Student Activities Fund or be put on probation.

Wedekind said he had opposed immediate probation last week of the Varsity Men's Glee Club, Maranatha, and the Mexican American Student's Association because the process of notifying the three organizations of the violations and the proof of non-compliance aren't well defined.

Wedekind proposed that the Constitutions Committee give an organization written notification of a violation. The groups should also be given the opportunity to confront whoever is making the accusations before the matter is brought to ASUN, he said.

ASUN also appropriated \$40 to be used to send two or more delegates to the Big Eight Conference on Black Student Government to prepare a report for ASUN.



CFA outlines budget details between fee-using agencies

By Peggy Polacek

Official business for the Committee for Fees Allocation ended Tuesday night with a "celebration" dinner for CFA members at the East Union.

Richard Armstrong, vice chancellor for student affairs, opened the night by completing business for this year's CFA. He explained the use of the University program and facility fees contingency fund for the publication of a biannual student handbook and for Nebraska Union utilities.

The contingency fund is created when more fees than estimated are obtained because of increased student enrollment.

As of June 30, 1982, the contingency fund had a balance of \$318,140. A transfer of \$5,584 to the unions to produce the student handbook cut the fund to \$312,556.

Union utilities also were paid from the contingency fund for the 1982-83 year. An estimated \$295,000 for utilities cut the fund to \$17,556.

The 1983-84 union budget allows student fees to pay for 45 percent of the utility costs, which amounts to \$3.33 per student each semester. Fifty percent of the cost will be paid by state tax dollars from the university's general fund. Building tenants and those under contract with the unions will pay the remaining 5 percent.

Final budgets adopted by DFA on Feb. 3 will go to the ASUN senate for its approval. The budgets will be accompanied with CFA subcommittee reports explaining each agency's budgets and any adjustments made. The budgets adopted by ASUN go to Armstrong, the vice chancellor for student affairs. Armstrong makes his recommendations to UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale, who approves it and forwards it to the NU Board of Regents, which makes the final budget approval.

The CFA-approved budgets do not reflect any salary and benefit adjustments for non-student employees. If the NU Board of Regents makes these adjustments, Massengale will make similar adjustments to student and non-student salaries in the budget, and consequently, in the student fees.

Fund A agencies' total allocation is \$222,810 or \$5.24 per student each semester. Fund A agencies include ASUN, the Nebraska State Student association, the University Program Council and the Daily Nebraskan.

Their budgets break down as follows: ASUN \$60,520 or \$1.42 per student; NSSA, \$21,250, or 50 cents per student; UPC, \$102,793, or \$2.42 per student; and the Daily Nebraskan, \$38,247, or 90 cents per student.

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