Senate represents students

By Jana Pedersen Staff Reporter

There are at least two groups of senators in Lincoln.

One group meets in the golddomed state capitol at least once .

The other meets in the Nebraska Union every Wednesday. One is the Nebraska Legisla-

The other is the senate of the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska, or the student government for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

The ASUN senate functions a lot like the Unicameral in that they both have a speaker and senators that represent constituents by population. But instead of having districts like the Unicameral ASUN senators are elected by college with at least one senator representing each college

Bills also are introduced in

similar ways.

ASUN senators come up with ideas for bills and present them to the executive committee which then assigns the bill to a subcom-

The subcommittees of ASUN include Academics, Campus Life, Communication, Fees Allocation and Special Topics. Each subcommittee has six or seven members. Subcommittees research bills

and vote to amend, kill or pass. If subcommittee members pass the bill, it is sent to be debated on

the senate floor, where it again can

be amended, killed or passed. The bill then goes to the ASUN president to be signed or vetoed. It takes a two-thirds vote by the sen-ate to override a presidential veto. If sending the bill through a

subcommittee would take too much time, a senator can intro-duce the bill to the senate by bringing it up on emergency status. Two-thirds of the senate must agree to emergency status before senators can debate the bill.

If a senator just wants to express an idea without a call for action, the idea can be brought up as a resolution. A resolution is treated exactly like a bill, but it is just a statement from the senate.

Senate Speaker Correy Trupp said senators receive ideas for bills from many sources.

University groups supply most bill ideas, he said, but senators get ideas from individual students,

If students have ideas for bills, Trupp said, they should contact a senator from their college. The best way to do that is at monthly senator-constituent meetings, he

Also, students can voice their opinions by participating in various committees, he said.

Student involvement is essential for a powerful ASUN senate, Trupp said, and there are many

ways for students to get involved.

"Ask around and try to find people who are involved," Trupp said. "Getting involved is the best way to help us do our job.

Building contains diverse offices

By Cindy Wostrel Staff Reponer

The Administration Building; located on R street just west of the Nebraska Union, is more than just a place to send money and pick up grades. But knowing where to go with other transactions can be a problem. Here is a guide to the many rooms and windows in the Administration

Building.
The Office of Admissions, Administration 12 South, works with students early in their university careers. Barbara Boettcher, assistant director of admissions, said the staff decides whether to admit new students, transfer students and international students. The staff also decides which former students can be readmitted.

Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid, Administration 16 South, distributes the financial aid form (FAF). It also administers grants, college work study and loans. Available loans include Stafford, formerly the Guaranteed Student Loan, and Perkins, formerly the National Direct Student Loan

Registration, Administration 17A, oversees everything from classroom assignments to drop/add and grade reports, according to Sherry Warren, clerical assistant. She said that although the office used to handle identification cards, the cards are now handled in the University Bookstore

The Office of General Studies, Administration 33 North (base-

ment), is "home for students who haven't chosen a college or major," Director Donald Gregory said. General studies also incorporates students who must resolve academic deficiencies before a college will officially admit them. Gregory said office staff advises students and refers them to career counseling.

Upstairs at the Service Counter, 107C, students can make address changes, transfer credit and find out information about registration and

transcripts.
At 107D, students can view their academic records.

The Office of Pre-Admissions, Administration 108 South, recruits high school and community college students, according to Director Lisa Schmidt. Although it will become the Office of High School and College Relations on Aug. 1, it will continue to sponsor two college tours per day throughout the entire year, she said. The office also sponsors New Student Enrollment events.

At the Service Counter, 110E, staff members distribute guaranteed student loans and answer questions about tuition statements.

At Administration 112F, students pay for housing, tuition, drop/ add, credit by examination, transcripts, audits and fall and spring early registration: The office also distributes payroll checks.

Students can file a discrimination complaint at the Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity and Handi-capped Services Office, Administration 112.

In the Office of Student Judicial Affairs, Administration 125 North, Director Kathy Austin enforces the campus code of conduct. She said the office serves to protect all individuals in areas ranging from assault to academic dishonesty

Across the hall in Administration
120 North, Jennifer Campbell, student employment coordinator, helps students locate jobs. She posts parttime job openings outside of the office so that students may contact the

employers and arrange interviews.
Next door in the Internship and Cooperative Education Office, Administration 121 North, staff under the direction of Marcia Phelps help place students in internships. Students can find paid and volunteer internships as well as internships for academic credit.

The directors of organizations such as housing, greek affairs and the Nebraska Unions report to Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs James Griesen in Administration 124 North. According to Debbie Hendricks, secretary, if a university student or employer is unhappy with one of these areas, they may file a complaint with that office. If they are not satisfied with the decision, they may appeal it here.

University Information, Ad-ministration 208 South, represents the university in media and public relations. Bob Bruce, director, said that the office handles commencement ceremonies, spring honors convoca-tion and produces broadcast shows, It also publishes a university staff newsletter, he said. Students may use this office as a reference for university history or biographies.

Multi-Cultural Affairs, 232 Ad-

ministration North, serves ethnic minority students and disadvantaged students. Through the Minority Assistance Program and Student Opportunities and Services, minority and low-income students may receive emotional and career counseling, tutoring and academic advising.

Students can get information about research from the office of research and graduate studies, in Administration 302 South. The office is under the direction of Vice Chancellor for Research John Yost.

The student loan collector takes loan repayments from students in Administration 306.



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