

Demonstrators demand NU divest immediately

By Tabitha Hiner
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Demonstrators carrying signs reading "Divest Fully Now" rallied outside the Nebraska Union on Friday.

About 30 people listened as Joseph Akpan, president of the Nigerian Student Association, and natural resources sophomore J Burger said they wanted the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the NU Foundation to completely divest from South Africa.

"The university is an institution of higher learning," Akpan said. "It has ideals; it is not just a private institution that makes money. It is our duty to make the university live up to those ideals."

The NU Foundation announced Friday that it would partially divest in accordance with the Sullivan Principles, now called the Statement of Principles.

Akpan said divestment along those guidelines would not be adequate.

The Sullivan Principles deal mainly with the workplace and require that corporations dealing in South Africa have policies of non-segregation, equal pay for equal work and representation in training classes and management positions by races according to their percentage of the population.

The principles also require im-

provements in areas such as education and health care.

While the principles appear fair, Akpan said, the companies monitor themselves, making the principles ineffective.

Joseph Moore, a junior art major, said he did not know a great deal about the Sullivan Principles, but said that the way they are implemented would show their effectiveness. He said that if the principles would bring about divestment, that would be positive.

"But, if it is some bureaucratic cover-up, it is a step down because you make people think they're divesting when it's not true," he said.

Burger said he thought the rally would help influence the university to divest.

"I would hope as taxpayers and students paying tuition . . . that they would take our concerns seriously," he said.

Moore said that there should be more attempts in Lincoln to stop investment in South Africa.

UNL graduate Scott Wesely said rallying efforts are a start for something bigger.

"The issue of apartheid shouldn't be just about South Africa," he said. "It should be about human relations all around the world."

RHA approves, allocates budget for fall semester

By David Burchell
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The Residence Hall Association approved a \$29,340 fall budget at its weekly meeting Sunday night.

The budget estimates an income of \$27,252 this fall from the 4,542 students living in residence halls this semester. Each resident pays \$6 for RHA services.

Combined with a \$2,088 carryover from last spring, RHA estimates a \$29,340 income for the semester.

This budget is \$4,209, or more than 13 percent less than last fall's budget, which was \$31,461.

The decrease is because of a reduction in the number of students living in the residence halls this semester. Last fall, 58 more students were estimated to be living in the halls, according to the RHA budget bill.

Kathy Rush, RHA president, said one new item on the budget was financing RHA's retreat to Trailridge on Oct. 6 at a cost of \$1,000.

Other budget items:

- Allocations to local governments at \$20,439.
- Executive Board-controlled funds at \$3,000.
- Social Programming Committee at \$1,000.
- Health, education and culture at \$500.
- Publicity committee, publisher of the residence hall newsletter Hallways, at \$750.
- Committee on residential enhancement at \$50.
- Conference fund at \$570.
- National communications coordinator fund at \$150.
- Allocation to National Residence Hall Honorary at \$100.
- Contingency fund at \$2,781.

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