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'Offical' paper ruled unoffical

By Steve Powell

The GRCC Judicial Board found in favor of Mark Stumpf, representing the CURRENT newspaper, in his case against ASGRCC president Teri Reed.

Chief Justice Wendy Jones said that the judges had voted 3-2 in favor of Stumpf. The charge was that Reed had unconstitutionally printed an "official college newspaper" and three justices agreed that she was in violation of the constitution.

After the decision was announced, Charles Firth, who helped Reed present her case, said that he couldn't answer whether or not the decision would be appealed.

The verdict didn't award any damages to the CURRENT. It only said that Reed's paper was "unconstitutional."

The hearing began at noon in the Baker Room of the Lindbloom Student Center Tuesday. It had originally been scheduled for Monday afternoon but it was delayed because of a request made by Teri Reed.

Chief Justice Wendy Jones started off the hearing by asking Reed if she wanted to have an open or closed hearing. Mark Stumpf, who represented the CURRENT, objected slightly but gave up because he wasn't sure if Reed had the power to do it as ASGRCC president or not.

It was later learned from Craig Grosshart, who is the managing editor of the Fournier Newspapers in Kent, by way of newspaper advisor Ed Eaton, that "it must be some kind of gag rule that is used."

Stumpf spoke out first and his case was based on the fact that the president is required in the school constitution to advertise the by-law changes in the "official college newspaper."

He said that "advertise" means "money" according to the adver-

tising policy of the CURRENT and that the by-laws must legally be advertised in the CURRENT.

"I'm sure that Reed will say that she was trying to save money by publishing her own paper which is fine — but not if it is unconstitutional," Stumpf said.

Stumpf also said that in the past the by-laws had been printed free of charge but since the CURRENT budget had been cut for next year, the newspaper had to build up its advertising revenue this year.

Reed interrupted saying that the budget didn't have anything to do with the case.

Chief Justice Jones warned Reed that she would get her chance as two members of the newspaper staff entered the room. Jones said that they would have to leave because it was a closed hearing and Reed smirked as they were forced to vacate the premises.

Stumpf said that Reed's "official college newspaper" didn't inform the students as well as the CURRENT would because only 500 copies were printed compared to 2,000 issues that are printed each week for the CURRENT. He also said that her paper didn't meet the requirements of being a "true newspaper."

Stumpf continued saying that he didn't see how Reed's "one shot rag" could be considered the "official college newspaper" at this school. He said the CURRENT is official because it is published and financed by the students.

"If the CURRENT is not the official college newspaper now, it never has been and therefore the by-laws that have been printed in the past cannot be valid," Stumpf said.

Reed interrupted again saying that Stumpf's adjectives were getting to be a little much and he responded saying that adjectives were the only way to describe what was going on.

Elliott wins presidency

Randy Elliott, candidate for ASGRCC president, squeaked by his nearest opponent, Ray Fike, to win that office in the general student body elections last week.

Marcia Antonich scored a victory over Mike Burr in the vice presidential race, winning by a mere 35 votes.

Turnout for the election was termed "poor" by Chief Justice Wendy Jones, who along with the Judicial Board was responsible for running the election. The total

number of students voting in the election was estimated by Jones at "around 400" with the majority voting in presidential and vice presidential races.

Pat Cimino, who was seen by many to be a top contender in the race for president, finished third in that contest.

Eric Gleason, senatorial candidate, won his seat in the senate with ease as did all senatorial candidates, a majority with ten votes or less.

"I don't want to get in to it," Reed said.

Stumpf ended his case saying, "It

is the students right to know what is going on. That's my case."

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MEAN MACHINE — This \$65,000 plane is owned by Hinshaws Honda in Auburn and is used by aviation instructor Joe DeJoie at a rented price of \$50 an hour. (See related story, "A bird's eye view of GRCC" on Page 5.) Photo by Tom Faber

Discord mars trustee hearing of 522 budget

By Mark D. Stumpf

The usually creamy-smooth flow of business at Board of Trustee meetings was disturbed during their consideration of next year's student programs budget last week by something rarely heard at those gatherings — the voice of dissent.

The more than \$160,000 budget was explained to the trustees by ASGRCC President Teri Reed, Vice president Charles Firth, and senate budget committee chairman Marcia Antonich, with the assistance and nodding approval of Dean for Students Earl Norman — and also the "assistance" of a couple of student senators who disagree with that budget's priorities.

Because declining GRCC enrollment will reduce revenue from services and activities fees next year, "almost every area had cuts," said Antonich. She explained the budget was first developed by the "student programs budget planning team," then forwarded to the senate budget committee in late February, where several hearings and alterations resulted in the budget they sent to the full senate March 9.

"Basically, we took all the requests, cut them back to what they were last year, and worked from there," Reed said of the budget development process. Firth added that reduced revenue required "some very difficult decisions."

Chairman of the trustees William Kennelly asked what the \$6,300 the legislative branch is budgeted is used for, and Firth explained it was to fund special requests by clubs and athletic teams, and for non-budgeted items.

In response to a question by Trustee Benay Nordby, Reed explained that ASGRCC funding of the ACAP (Auburn Christian Action Program) Day Care Center is a subsidy amounting to \$700 bi-monthly, with student users of the facility paying according to their ability.

The budget of the Current, campus newspaper, was cut \$1,000 to \$8,000 on the basis of advertising revenue estimates for next year based on what the Current earned in ad sales this year, Firth told the trustees when asked about the cut. (The validity of that projection was questioned later by a dissenting

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Smith explains foundation activities

By Linda Barrow

Helen Smith, former member of Green River's Board of Trustees, is back in her old office, with a new job and a new title.

Smith, who resigned as Trustee Dec. 31, protesting what she termed "an invasion of the individual right of privacy," in the mandatory disclosure of personal finances, is now the President of the Green River Community College Foundation, a community based nonprofit organization.

"I hated to resign," Smith admitted Monday in a meeting sponsored by the Green River Organization of Women, "but this job allows me to still work with the college."

The purpose of the foundation, according to Smith, is to help the college in areas that in this time of tight money, have a hard time getting funded. These areas include the arts, scholarship and loan

funds, recreation, and campus beautification.

The foundation, legally and financially independent of the college, tries to supplement 522 college funds (special service funds) for the numerous projects by soliciting contributions from the community, both from individuals and local businesses.

"We are trying to bring the community into the college, make them realize this is their school," Smith said.

The main effort being made by the foundation now is to obtain state funding for a new Performing and Creative Arts Education building (P.A.C.E.).

In the existing Performing Arts building, shared by both the music and drama departments, space is too limited, contended Smith.

"I hate using this analogy," she said, "but it's like too many rats in a

cage — they all get frustrated."

And to use the Student Center for programs, she added, "means that the students are thrown out of their own building."

With a new building, however, Smith believes that the drama department could make full use of the existing Performing Arts building, and the music department would have the room and facilities for instruction and programs in the new one.

The cost of P.A.C.E. is estimated at \$2,800,000, and although Governor Ray cut the proposal from the list of priorities, the foundation was successful in re-establishing it. It is now in committee and, according to Smith, has 19 favorable votes in the 26-member committee.

Smith explained that the proposal is difficult for the legislators to turn down, since the foundation has promised to raise 1/5 of the

money, if the state will provide the other 4/5.

She added that students wishing to help the passage of the proposal may telephone 1-800-526-6000, and leave a message for their legislators, urging support for P.A.C.E.

Other projects aided by the foundation that Smith mentioned range from repairing parts of the campus that have been damaged by construction, to buying unusual or costly books for the library.

The scholarship fund is not yet ready for use, since the foundation had determined that the fund needs to be built up. That way the interest, rather than the principal, would provide enough income to fund the scholarships, and would assure their continuation.

"The foundation is working now," Smith concluded, "but it is going to be able to do more as time goes on."

Why students voted for who they did

By Evonne Tersitsky

Why is Randy Elliott the new ASGRCC president? What is it about Elliott and newly elected vice-president Marcia Antonich that appealed to the majority of Green River Community College students who voted in the recent elections? Why did other students vote for the other candidates and why did the large majority of students choose not to vote at all? A random interview of a small anonymous sampling of GR students may give some clues to the answers.

One student, who didn't know what Elliott stood for, voted for him because the student had heard people talking about the candidate and thought he might make a good president. Elliott's advertising also caught this student's eye, who voted for Mike Burr as vice-president for the same reason.

Another student was planning on

voting for Vic Johnson but when he was taken off the ballot, the student voted for Elliott and Antonich instead, because he knew their names from signs and shirts and he also felt that Antonich was good looking.

One student voted for Elliott and Burr because during the campaign they had approached the student and asked him to.

There wasn't enough publicity, one student commented. But he voted for Elliott because the candidate showed personal interest in the issues the student was interested in, such as improving the parking situation and the proposal of noon hour classes.

Another student voted the Elliott-Antonich ticket because she knew them and felt they could do a good job. She didn't even know the other candidates. She felt that Elliott-Antonich, if backed by other

people, could do a productive job.

A student who was feeling pressured into voting, wasn't going to cast his ballot but then decided to vote for Ray Fike as president, because Fike seemed trustworthy and honest. The student added that he felt the election was just a popularity game, in a sense. "Little boys playing big boy games. Spinning their wheels not going anywhere" he said.

One student voted for Fike because he knew the candidate in the past and he didn't like Elliott's amount of campaign spending. He also voted for Burr because he liked the candidate's position better than that of Antonich.

Another student voted for Fike and Burr because he felt they were good candidates. He was turned off by Elliott and Antonich's amount of campaigning and people trying to "drill it into my head" to vote for them.

After taking a long look at the candidates, one student voted Fike-Burr for a few different reasons. She really felt that Fike was sincere. She had asked him for help many times concerning student issues and he had given her much of his time. She thought he would listen to the students. She also appreciated his low-keyed campaign. She continued, saying she hadn't been too impressed with the past performances of Elliott and Antonich. "Elliott looks good," she said, "But is he getting any work done?" The student felt that Antonich lacked any strong conviction and so she voted for Burr as vice-president.

Another student voted Pat Cimino for president because Johnson wasn't on the ballot. He also voted for Burr "because I couldn't stand a woman being vice-president," he said.

A student who didn't vote, decided instead to go along with more knowledgeable people's judgment because he didn't know any of the candidates after a 5-year absence from GR. Although he feels that student government is a good learning experience, he has questions and reservations about student government's function and actual importance.

Another student felt candidates' views were not made known to her, except as generalities. She didn't vote because, "Student government is a bunch of bull. They don't do anything, they don't represent anything," she said.

Student government plays politics very well, one non-voter mentioned, adding, "Student government is a farce. They have no final say over what happens to student money. Basically they are not representing me. They only have the power the administration gives them."

"Voting would be to condone dirty politics going on between the elections," one student said, adding, "I couldn't choose between all the beautiful people running."

When one student was asked on Friday if he had voted, he replied, "Not yet." It seems he didn't know the polls had been closed on Thursday.

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Press freedom being abused?

By Steve Powell

This may be the beginning of the end! The United States Constitution guarantees the "freedom of the press."

The Green River Constitutional By-laws say that the ASGRCC president has the right to have either an open or closed hearing. The question is, which will take precedence in the community of GRCC.

The student government has been trying all year long to be one up on the CURRENT. The school newspaper has tried to inform the students of everything that the government has done — good and bad — because their actions are not only news worthy, but they should also be important to the students. But the students have hardly reacted to anything that they have done. This may be the last chance.

Any number of penalties may be put upon the CURRENT, or some of its members, for printing the story on the Reed vs Stumpf case that is on this issue's front page.

It all started Tuesday when Chief Justice Wendy Jones asked ASGRCC president Teri Reed if she wanted an open or closed hearing in her case against Mark Stumpf, who was speaking in behalf of the CURRENT.

Reed said "closed" and Stumpf objected because he didn't think she had the power to do it, but he wasn't sure so he gave up.

As Stumpf's consultant, I was allowed to stay but was warned not to write anything to be put in the paper because it was a closed hearing. She said that if something was put in, trouble would start.

It was later learned that a state law entitled, "The Open Meetings Act" does not give Reed that power. The WAC code, which contains the rights and responsibilities of the students at GRCC, also states in section 132J-120-090 that, "The campus newspaper and other media shall be free of censorship and advance approval of copy and shall be free to develop their own editorial policies and news." coverage.

Jones said that the CURRENT couldn't print anything about the case, in either an editorial or a news story, and this definitely infringes on this act. But what is going to happen because of it?

Craig Grosshart of the Fournier Newspapers said that giving the power to have an open or closed meeting to the president must be some kind of "gag rule."

How free can the press be if it can't even write about a case that it is involved in? How can we, as students, allow student government to get away with these "gag rules?"

Freedom of the press is suppose to be mandatory in a country like ours but I actually wonder how necessary it is when no one reacts when the truth is printed.

The judicial board did show me a lot of class yesterday when it found in favor of Stumpf against Reed. In fact, I would like to apologize for the editorial two weeks ago that said that the judicial board would never go against Reed. They did stand up for what was right and I commend them for it.

But, the judicial board can and should do more but they probably won't — unless someone gets on their backs.

Nonsense ad nauseum

By Steve Powell

Nonsense!

That is the only word that can accurately describe the shenanigans that went on during the presidential campaigns.

A week ago Monday was suppose to be the day that the candidates came out and gave campaign speeches to tell the voters what they were going to do if elected to the student government.

But, alas, not one of the presidential candidates took the microphone and only one of the vice-presidential candidates spoke. Eric Gleason even spoke up and he doesn't have anything to worry about because there is no way he can lose. He is the only person running for the five positions that are available as a senator-at-large.

Only one presidential candidate was even in the LSC cafeteria and that was Randy Elliott. For some reason he neglected to tell his views to the entire audience, although he did talk to some students at the lunch tables.

I admit that noon hour in the LSC cafeteria is not the most ideal place to give a campaign speech, especially since most of the students weren't listening but rather were noisily eating away. Since, however, that was the designated time and place, the candidates should have taken advantage of the situation as best they could.

Mike Burr, who ran neck and neck with Marcia Antonich for the vice-presidential position, did give a well prepared speech but said later that the noisy surroundings, "stunk."

Gleason talked for a minute encouraging everyone to "get out and vote," but that was about it for the campaign hour.

Green River student Harold Richert lightened up the situation when he went up to the platform and announced, "the committee to impeach Teri Reed is taking signatures this week." He received a few chuckles and a lot of embarrassment for his efforts.

But that was it.

The presidential candidates that cried out only days earlier in the CURRENT for more student participation can't even participate in something that is designated especially for them.

A few of the candidates might have had a good excuse for not showing up but did all of them? One has to wonder if the candidates themselves really care about the student government.

It just seems like another case of the blind leading the blind.



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Senators protest student budget to trustees

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student senator, who said it was unlikely the Current could produce as much revenue next year as the record-breaking levels of ad revenue it raised this year.)

Trustee Hugh Mathew's inquiry into the "official paper" dispute between Reed and the Current was frustrated when both she and Firth refused to explain the controversy.

"Is this the college newspaper?" Mathews asked, displaying a copy of the Current.

"I don't want to get into it," replied Reed.

"It may jeopardize the (judicial board) hearing if we justify our action right now," answered Firth.

The run through continued.

Firth said that the largest athletics cut was \$1,100 from the men's basketball program, which was possible largely because the team purchased warm-up suits from this year's budget, and didn't need that money next year as a consequence.

Funding for several performing arts programs was consolidated into the Music Company budget for next year, Firth said, and that actually represented a \$300 cut for the group. He added that the \$5,100 budgeted for the Music Company represents only a portion of their actual operating budget, since the group produces substantial revenue of its own.

Kennelly questioned the priorities of the budget after hearing that the category that covers intramural sports was increased only \$40. He complained that other

areas that benefit fewer students (Reed said 2,000 participate in the intramural program) got better treatment.

"There are a lot of value judgments in the budget, I'm sure," conceded Reed.

The clubs category was cut \$500, Firth said, because "they have quite an excess this year." This was the first year all club funds were doled out from a single source in the budget.

For the past two years, no money has been budgeted for graduation, and Norman responded to Mathews' query on that topic by saying the fees students pay to participate in the ceremony have made it self-supporting for the past several years.

Kennelly questioned the \$5,000 cut in student employment that reduced that area to \$35,830. In times of rising tuition, he asked, why cut a program that puts money in student pockets?

"We're very sad we had to cut this, and it wasn't by chance," said Reed. She said she plans to propose that any additional student programs revenue from tuition increases, if they occur, be directed to the student employment fund. Firth said Green River has almost double the student employment of other community colleges, and added that an attempt will be made to fund some student programs jobs with persons who qualify for financial aid assistance, so that services can be maintained despite the reduced budget.

Trustee Kennelly said the budget should include more explanation of cuts, and more detailed accounting of how ASGRCC legislative funds are to be spent.

"You owe it not only to us, but to your student body," Kennelly said. "After all, they're paying the bill. . . I won't comment on the Current (budget) . . . you may have made a mistake there."

Reed said a \$10,000 surplus is expected at the end of this year, and said some programs may be restored with that and any money from tuition increases.

"I am supportive of this budget and am recommending it to you," Norman told the trustees.

Dissenting senators respond
Pat Cimino, senator-at-large, submitted a list of budget changes and concerns supported by a senate minority. Cimino said the proposals "cut out some of the frills, and put the money where we believe it should go."

He singled out the \$1,022 budgeted for a leadership retreat, the 300 per cent increase in campus radio KGRG compared to a \$1,000 cut for the Current, and the lack of a mechanism to return to the students or the program revenue generated by the recreation services in the Lindbloom Student Center as areas of concern.

John Halvorson, sophomore senator, said later in the meeting the student programs budget was "white-washed through" the student senate. "It wasn't really looked over by the senate," Halvorson said.

"You're operating by the democratic process. . . You had your chance there," replied Kennelly, trustee chairman.

Halvorson went on to say the budget provides no funds for any outlet for instrumentalists on campus, aside from the Music Company accompaniment and those who play in the annual dramatic musical. He said, "The instruments are back in a storage room to prove it."

Kennelly suggested he form a club, Lindbloom said interest in the instrumental program has waned, and Bill Taylor, dean of instruction, said, "We're trying to make curriculum changes so we can have a community orchestra." That orchestra would include students as well, Taylor indicated.

Lab fees up and down

Taylor recommended two lab fee changes, one up and one down, for next year. He said the math lab fee should be cut from \$10 to \$1, since college-produced materials will now replace purchased texts, and said the welding lab fee should be doubled to \$4 per credit. He noted that "the inflation rate of these materials has caused a serious deficit in the welding supply budget."

Yes, it's finally final. GRCC parking regulations have been amended by vote of the trustees to read that duplicate parking permits will be priced "according to the current fee schedule." Right now, that's \$1. Reed has said she plans to lobby the parking board to make them free, as codified regulations have until now indicated they are. Actual practice for several years has been to charge \$1 for them.

Enrollment examined

They heard it in FTE's, decimals, ratios, charts and graphs, but however it was presented, the enrollment message was the same: GRCC ain't what it used to be.

Norman, dean for students and administrator in charge of the college's recruiting program, told the trustees the drop from 6,891 different students enrolled at GRCC Fall Quarter 1975 to the 5,459 enrolled this past fall is "quite a change in just one year." That drop in the number of bodies attending school here equals a decline of about 750 full time equivalent (FTE) students in the same period.

He said a projection of that trend to this quarter would indicate about 2,800 FTE's should be enrolled. Preliminary counts indicate enrollment this quarter is actually about 300 FTE's ahead of that, and Norman credits the turn around to more publicity, recruiting, and work by the faculty to reduce attrition among the student body.

"Even though we are below our quota, we have changed the enrollment trend from Fall Quarter to this quarter, and we feel good about that," said Norman. "We want to be where we were in the fall of 1975," he later said, adding that "extensive" summer recruitment is planned to help meet that goal.

'Dire' state budget feared

The "no tax increase" budget passed by the state senate two weeks ago is "totally inadequate to support operation of community colleges," Dr. John Terrey of the State Board for Community College Education told the trustees.

Terrey said that budget, crafted by conservative State Sen. Hubert Donohue, was passed by a "very substantial vote" and includes a "very substantial tuition increase."

He said the community colleges were cut \$18 million in that version from Gov. Dixy Lee Ray's budget proposal, which he said translates to a 7 percent reduction.

"A 7 percent reduction is pretty significant in higher education, where you have a labor intensive area," Terrey commented.

Terrey predicted a "classic encounter" between that senate

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COLLEGE IN A FOREST — Skylights glistened like an armour in this aerial shot of GRCC. The view is from the northeast corner of the campus with the Trades Building at lower center. Photo by Tom Faber.

A birds eye view of GRCC

By Steve Powell

Joe De Joie teaches air traffic control and aviation at Green River Community College. He recently took three members of the CURRENT staff for a ride to give them, "a bird's eye view of GRCC."

De Joie has been flying airplanes for about 33 years but he still goes through the routine checklist before he takes off.

"I can forget," he said, "paper doesn't."

He checked the checklist one more time, made sure the seat belts were fastened, latched the doors, and only then, was he ready for takeoff.

As we picked up momentum going down the runway, it was evident that the airplane was at the

mercy of mother nature. The wind whipped the plane around as if it were lighter than air.

When the Piper Cherokee Lance reached the 75 mph mark, it began to lift off the ground.

De Joie hovered over the GRCC campus between the 1,000 and 2,000 foot levels at a cruising speed of 170 mph. The ride in the \$65,000

plane was fairly smooth, about like a car, on the nice day but every bump was definitely felt.

One student remarked with concern, "Why are you driving with no hands?"

De Joie calmly responded by saying that he usually drives that way because the plane is perfectly balanced and it also had an automatic pilot.

The picturesque beauty of the terrain in this area can only fully be appreciated at 2,000 feet but the feeling was short lived because after we circled the campus a few times, De Joie had to head back to the Auburn airport.

He explained that the plane was not his but actually was owned by Hinshaws Honda in Auburn and that he only rented it once in awhile for the sum of \$50 an hour.

"It isn't worth it to own one," De Joie said. "I've owned eight before but it isn't worth it because of the high insurance rates."

He also said that the plane got around 10 miles per gallon and that each gallon cost around 72 cents. The plane had the capacity to hold 84 gallons of gas.

De Joie maneuvered the craft to approach the runway as we flew over the city. The plane began to rock back and forth but De Joie said it was always choppy over cities.

He cut down on the gas and touched earth, one wheel at a time, at a landing speed of about 90 mph. He taxied back to our starting point and De Joie again went over his checklist—this time in reverse—"because I can forget, but paper doesn't."

Moonlight cruise a success

Romanticists went wild last Friday night on the "Goodtime" boat cruise, which was sponsored by Student Programs.

Loving couples flooded the boat for the "Moonlight Cruise" as it set sail with no apparent destination. The boat chugged its way around the waters of Seattle.

The group, "Showbiz" performed almost continuously throughout the evening. About 100 GRCC students, and their guests, crammed on to the dancing floor as "Showbiz" plugged away on tunes ranging from old Beatles to new Boz Scaggs.

Anyone who walked away that night with the feeling that they had just wasted \$6.50 per person, didn't take full advantage of the dinner that was served. The lasagna dinner was suppose to be a one shot deal but so much food was left over, seconds and thirds (not to mention fourths) were also available. Either some people didn't show up or the food planners thought that college students are pigs because there was still food left when the ride was over at midnight.

Not too many problems came up

that night except for the crowded dance floor and the liquor that was on board that wasn't suppose to be. The trip almost came to an end early because someone threw a chair overboard and the captain wasn't too pleased about it. One minor injury did occur when a student fell off a chair and gashed his head.

Afterwards, most of the "joy riders" said that they had gotten their money's worth either because, "the food was good," "the band was good," or "the warm breeze was relaxing."

One point most of the riders did agree on was that whoever was screaming into the microphone at the beginning of the trip, "Is everyone having a good time?" definitely wasn't the highlight of the "Moonlight Cruise."

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Trustees told of 'dire' state budget

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budget and whatever budget the state House of Representatives develops. He said he expects some agreement between the houses by May 14 or 15.

He said the "consequences are dire" for every college in the state if the senate version passes, with its limited faculty pay increase provisions and large tuition increases.

The Donohue budget provides for a 9.6 percent increase in higher education faculty salaries, said Terrey, and allows individual institutions to add another 5 percent each year out of their own funds, if pay at that institution has been out of line with others of the same level. That budget also reduces full time faculty by 5 percent while increasing part time faculty 5 percent as a means of reducing salary cost.

If a college is growing, Terrey said, the implications of that full-part time mix shift are not that great. But if a college is not growing, he said, "you have to make adjustments" — adjustments "dire" for some staff.

Tuition under the Donohue budget, Terrey said, would be 50 percent of university tuition, which would be automatically maintained at 25 percent of the cost of instruction. The only merit in that plan, Terrey said, is the "diabolical beauty" in the possibility that every other kind of higher education institution could get together and keep down university costs, and thus their own tuitions, without controlling their own costs.

Lindbloom wondered if the Donohue budget "muddies the water" of faculty sabbaticals the trustees have already approved. Terrey said the budget is "silent as far as community colleges," but noted that House Bill 662, which also restricts sabbaticals, does affect community colleges and would go into effect July 1 if passed.

Instructor Nigel Adams, chairman of the social studies depart-

ment, made a report and a plug for his division, emphasizing the extra-classroom activities of faculty in that department.

Adams said his department is moving in a direction to insure that what he called the "other side of teaching — scholarship, critical abilities, community contact" — isn't ignored. "The benefits come back to the students," Adams said.

Examples of instructors involved in the "other side" of their profession include Gerald Brand, selected to give an address at the Seattle Police Academy; Gerald Hedlund's archeological work on the Enumclaw Plateau; Rawhide Papritz's summer kayaking trips with students on the Yukon River; Bill Merifield's clinical psychology work at Madigan Hospital; and Adams' own involvement with northwest labor history associations.

"We do have a community college faculty that is expansive and very involved. . . ." Adams said. Adams also said he wanted to quash rumors of discord between himself and former social studies department chairman John Barnard. He said he and Barnard are "good friends" who share ideals on the community colleges."

An athletic philosophy, mandated by the State Board for Community Colleges "four or five years ago" was presented to the trustees by Jack Johnston, athletics coordinator.

It outlines a pyramidal structure of athletics activities with P.E. on the bottom, then intramural sports, then intermurals, and then — you guessed it — varsity athletics at the top. He said the goals of the program are headed by physical fitness, with moral, intellectual, and vocational considerations following.

He said in response to a trustee question that the department is "very careful to have fair and equitable decisions between uses" of athletics facilities, and said sports are added or dropped "based on demand."

Title IX, the group of federal regulations requiring equivalent athletic offerings for males and females, is another guideline in planning programs, Johnston said. He added that a committee with a representative from the athletic department, the Gator Club, and students insures consideration of

Title IX in department decision-making.

Also at that April 21 meeting, the trustees voted to continue the probation status of Carol Beber, Rutherford B. Hayes, Robert Mahoney, and Barbara Rom for one year, following the recommendations of their tenure review committee.



WHAT IS IT? The Gator Engineers Club will be on its way next week to Athol, Idaho, where the squad will try to set a new world's record in the "catapult keg throwing contest." Photo by Mike Burr.

Engineers club attempts record

Will the Gator Engineers Club break a world record? President John Bitney, and member Terry Meade think so. They spoke for the rest of the club in saying they feel confident that their "Dark Ages Machine" has the potential of setting a new world record in the catapult throw.

The event will take place in Athol, Idaho on May 7, where last year's winner, North Idaho State College, launched a keg more than

526 feet. Rumors have it that the competition will be telecast by ABC Wide World of Sports and written up by Sports Illustrated.

The catapult received \$1,800 in funds from the GRCC student government. The team has worked diligently since October on their 30 ton machine that is 36 feet long and 35 feet high and drops a weight of 20 tons.

Meade said he couldn't make an accurate guess as to the total manhours involved, but that he and Bitney had at least 80 hours apiece.

Once completed, the crew will truck the catapult to Idaho by a semi truck. Those wishing to join the caravan can do so by contacting the Engineers Club on campus.

Recycling seen as possible energy saver

In the last couple of years a lot of beer companies and such have been asking us to recycle their bottles and cans. While we may have been willing to use them when they were still full, we might question if recycling is really worth the effort needed to return the empties.

A recent survey conducted by the Department of Ecology shows that valuable resources are being conserved by many people who utilize recycling centers throughout the state. In response to a questionnaire, 72 of 221 recycling centers furnished information on the types and amounts of materials recycled during 1976.

These 72 recyclers reportedly handled 121,000 tons of materials. The market value was \$7.7 million. Energy savings, the difference between manufacturing items from virgin materials as opposed to recycled materials, was 701 million kilowatt hours. The energy saved could satisfy the electrical

requirements of more than 46,000 homes for one year. Significant savings in solid waste collection and disposal was also a major benefit.

The amount of reported material recycled by the respondents was 7,814 tons of aluminum, 6,620,248 cases of refillable beer bottles, 14,000 tons of container glass, 18,086 tons of newsprint and 12,521 tons of other paper, and 3,762 tons of nonferrous metals including 27 tons of car batteries.

There are other benefits relating to recycling in addition to the dollar value of recycled items and the energy savings. The 72 recyclers reported that they diverted 332 tons of waste each day of the year from the solid waste stream. The disposal and collection savings resulting from this diversion could be significant.

Employment considerations should be as important as energy and solid waste management savings. Indications are that the recycling industry provides a sig-

nificant number of jobs.

The success of any area-wide recycling program is primarily dependent on solid, growing market. This material is used for insulation, packaging, and a multitude of other products. Tin cans provide a rich source of tin, steel and sludges. Current value of tin is \$9,600 dollars a ton.

Glass as bottles are returned to be refilled and a primary use of crushed glass (cullet) is the re-manufacture of insulation, tiles and other construction products.

Aluminum is remelted and rolled into sheets. This sheet material is remade into cans, trays and foil. The recycled nonferrous metals extend limited resources. For example, the lead in car batteries is reclaimed and used in the manufacturing of new batteries.

The rediscovery of valuable resources in the form of recyclable goods is the obvious result of the changing attitudes of "throwaway" to "recycle".

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Justices consider election charges, reforms

By Mark D. Stumpf

A covey of post-election complaints, and an idea session on how to make future student government elections better occupied the ASGRCC Judicial Board at their regular Monday meeting.

Pat Cimino, the ASGRCC senator-at-large and losing presidential candidate who has probably filed more charges against more people than anyone at GRCC, filed two election-related accusations.

The winning presidential and vice presidential candidates, Randy Elliott and Marcia Antonich, were charged with "campaigning in polling area on election day." The charges stem from the pair's use of T-shirts emblazoned with their names during the campaign. Cimino contends persons wearing the campaign T-shirts walked through the polling area of the Lindbloom Student Center while voting was in progress.

Similar charges against Elliott and Antonich were first filed by a losing vice presidential candidate, Mike Burr, who withdrew them shortly after the election. He said he dropped the charges because Judicial Board members "almost blatantly told me... it wouldn't do me any good."

Cimino also charged a fellow loser in the presidential competition, Ray Fike, with having "campaign posters up after the election." Campaign rules require candidates to remove their campaign signs from around the campus by the morning after voting ends.

Since Fike lost the election anyway, the charges had some justices wondering what they could do to him, if they did rule he was guilty. Chief Justice Wendy Jones told the board members the possible punishments include the options the board has in every case: to send a note of reprimand or warning to the guilty party, to fine up to \$10, or

to suspend or expell from classes.

In the Fike case, said Jones, the board could also take his name off the official record of election results. The possibility of such dire consequences for a losing candidate leaving signs posted caused Freshman Justice Ward Akers to comment.

"That's just ridiculous!" Akers said.

"What isn't?" answered Jones.

There was a familiar ring to Judicial Board observers in charges filed by J. Douglas Van Duker, a student senator, accusing the Parking Board of responsibility for "unsafe and unfair parking arrangements." To avoid an equally familiar and futile attempt to assert jurisdiction over the Parking Board, which is only half students, the justices decided to warn Van Duker that "whatever we say, they're not going to do anything" before he or the board takes the issue any further.

Jones announced that Charles Firth, ASGRCC vice president, had dropped charges he filed against Cimino April 11 accusing him of illegal use of student funds by purchasing equipment for the Veterans' Club, of which Cimino is president.

Why did Firth drop charges right after the election that seemed so grave just before the election?

"I'm getting tired," said Firth. "I think I proved my point" to college administrators, he said, that student funds are being misused. "I was really more accusing them (administrators) than accusing him," said Firth, adding that it was only coincidence that the filing and withdrawal of the charges fell around the time of the elections.

Reforms discussed

The justices had some ideas of their own about the elections' and they discussed and listed them at the request of Teri Reed, ASGRCC

president. Their main concerns were about campaign spending limits and write-in ballot procedures.

In the presidential and vice presidential contests, each candidate is now limited to \$50 in spending, but there is no mandatory reporting system to police the limit. Akers said \$50 is too much money, and Sophomore Justices Laura Morton and Lisa Ziebell agreed.

Jones said that "a lot of people can't afford \$50," and the justices decided to recommend the limit be reduced to \$25, with candidates also required to make a financial statement of campaign contributions and total spending just before the election. Although, noted Ziebell, "There's no way anybody can control what you spend."

Many voters didn't understand the write-in ballot procedure, and some write-in senatorial candidates understood the system only too well, several justices agreed. At least one winning candidate, John Halvorson, has admitted to voting for himself several times with the write-in ballots.

Since a separate write-in ballot was provided to any voter asking for them for each of the ballot positions, a voter could fill in the same name and the same position on each, resulting in self-election, or at least a multiplication of votes.

"It should be laid out in black and white," said Freshman Justice Debbie Walther of the write-in procedure. The justices decided to suggest that a single write-in ballot be provided to those requesting them, with one space for nominating and voting for a single candidate for each position. A voter who had no write-in choices would use the voting machine.

Akers suggested that a space be provided for each position reading

"I do not support any of the above candidates." Several other justices agreed that would give students a chance for clearer expression of their election opinions. Ziebell said she didn't vote, because she didn't care for anyone running, but would have if the "none of the above" option was available.

Jones announced the regular weekly meeting of the board will now be held Wednesdays at noon.

Spending varied

This year seven candidates tried for three offices, and expenses ran from almost \$100 to no money at all.

Randy Elliott and Marcia Antonich winners in this years elections spent \$99.27, was the most spent by any of the people seeking office. Most of the money was spent on flyers and T-shirts.

Ray Fike another presidential candidate spent \$40 and this was on flyers and posters.

Vic Johnson, after spending \$12.50, was found ineligible and taken from the ballot.

Pat Cimino spent no money at all on his presidential campaign, and said that he was not disappointed because he did not win.

Mike Burr spent \$16 on his vice-presidential campaign and this was mostly on posters and small cards, which he said he found to be most useful.

Eric Gleason said that he spent \$5 to \$6 on his campaign, mostly on handbills and posters. Gleason said that he was very pleased with the way his campaign turned out.

Reed ruled wrong

The judicial board then asked questions of the plaintiff, Stumpf, but Jones said that the questions that were asked were not pertinent to the case.

It was then Reed's turn, as the defendant, to present her side of the story.

She began by saying that she didn't deny that the CURRENT had been the "official college newspaper" in past years for the very reason that the by-laws were printed in it. But this year, she made another "official college newspaper" because there can be more than one, according to the Board of Trustee WAC code.

She then passed out copies of the WAC code to show where it actually said there could be one — or more than one — "official college newspaper."

"I saw more personal response to the by-laws this year than last year," Reed said. "As for the fact that the 'official college newspaper' must be funded by the ASGRCC, our paper was. In fact, it was financed by the same funds that pay for the CURRENT."

"The school constitution says that the president has the right to determine executive policy and that is what I did," Reed said.

The judicial board didn't have any questions for the defendant.

In his closing statements, Stumpf explained his views on the meaning of the WAC code article that states that the ASGRCC must sponsor the "official college newspaper." He said that the term "sponsor" means a year after year commitment and that her paper wasn't like that at all.

"The CURRENT is read," Stumpf said, "while Reed's paper was just passed over because it was in ash trays all around campus."

Reed completed her final statements saying that her idea of the "official college newspaper" would probably be used again next year.

The judicial board again was asked to submit questions but only Chief Justice Jones spoke up.

"Are you saying, Teri, that the CURRENT is not the official college newspaper?" she asked.

"Not at all," Reed replied. "I'm saying that it is only one of them."

Jones then cleared the room as the justices convened to make a decision. The board discussed the case for 15 minutes and then recessed until the next day because they couldn't make a decision.

Current Events

FAA Seminar: Tonight in the Gator Room beginning at 7:30.

Dance: The local rocker Child provides boogie music tomorrow night, from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Lindbloom Student Center. Tickets at the door - students, \$1.50; guests, \$2. The group will also perform in a free noon concert tomorrow.

Archery: See what happens when bow connects with arrow on Sunday in the gym, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Coming events: Within the next few weeks, the following activities are scheduled - consumer forum, Black Student Union Festival, GR Youth Theater show, and open house.

River City Mailroom

Steve Powell, Editor,

This year the justice of the Judicial Board has been lax and disorganized. How many cases have they ad and how many have been ruled upon?

There seems to always be a lack of justices for the board. Why is this so? Could they be getting tired of being told what to do by other people higher up in the system?

Is the Chief Justice supposed to be strong and stand up for the rights of the students or are they to just say "I guess it won't do any good to complain so I'll just live with it anyway."

The position of Chief Justice should be a position of authority

and not of humble but grateful acknowledgement to the president.

There should be changes made in the area of the Judicial Board, and they should be:

1. The Chief Justice will be elected by the student body, not appointed by the president.
2. All hearings will be open to the public and there will be no closed hearings.

Those are just a couple that I could think of at the time of this letter.

So in conclusion I would like to say if being ineffectual has been the Judicial Boards motive, they have succeeded. Mike Burr

GR batmen win one of two in double header

The play-off chances of the Green River Gators were dealt a blow in Tacoma last Saturday when the lowly Titans, on the bottom of central division, gained a split with the big Green, winning the first game, 1-0, while the Gators came back to take the nightcap, 5-2, in nine innings.

The "pins-and-needles" aspect of the day was reflected by the second game ending in a bench-emptying brawl involving even both coaches and both umpires.

The day started quite calmly. In fact, too calmly for the Gators. Titan chucker Kirk Petersen put a muzzle on the GRCC offense allowing only five hits, but no two in any one inning. Petersen kept the Gators off-balance, often getting the first two men in the inning out. Only Mark Swafford could muster two hits, an infield roller in the second and a sharp single to right in the fourth. Glenn Walker excited Gator fans when he rocketed a two-out triple to right in the third.

Gary Devine and Marcel Moran

combined for a five-hitter while striking out nine of the enemy. The only difference came in the third when the Titans strung three of their hits together for the lone run of the game. This sudden surge of batting prowess chased starter Devine and brought in Moran with one out and runners on second and third but he struck out the side to end the threat.

Trying to avenge the loss, the Gators got on the board for the first time in the second game when Roger Bir, Swafford, and Dan Harrison combined a trio of singles that produced a 1-0 lead.

The Titans came back with a double, a sacrifice bunt, and a single to tie the score in their half of the inning.

The Gators went ahead again the third when Dave Powell lead off with a walk and turned in some clever base-running that produced a couple of errors. When the catcher went to pick him off at first, he was already to second by the time the throw got to first. The throw from first to second went dribbling into centerfield and Powell moved to third. He scored on a sharp grounder to second by Doug Larsen. The throw to the plate was in time but Powell kicked the ball loose from the catcher's glove.

That was it until the ninth. The game was scheduled for seven and Braxton Rawls had pitched six and two-thirds innings, giving up just two runs on six hits, when Coach Tom Burneister called Rawls in from the bullpen again.

With two out in the ninth, Walker singled and scored on a single by Larsen who injured his knee later stealing second. Rob Snodgrass ran for Larsen and scored on a single by Ed Bue and pitcher Moran singled home Bue for the 5-2 victory.

In the home half of the inning, Snodgrass fielded a roller at first, tossing to Moran covering first for the out. Moran then appeared to hit the Titans' Mark Knight. Coach Burneister argued with the umpire but lost. Then the pyrotechnics began.

Tacoma catcher Tim Hazen grounded to Wieks who touched second, forcing Knight. Then Knight, already out by ten feet, tried to bowl over Wieks throwing

to first. He succeeded in hitting Wieks arm so that, in the umpire's judgment, he interfered with Wieks and Hazen was called out, ending the game but not the hostilities.

Wieks charged Knight, executing a fine open-field tackle. That emptied the dugouts and it was full five minutes before order was restored. One Green River roofer was overhead overheard to say, "I guess you see everything at the ball park."

Racquetmen get by Skagit

The Green River Men's Tennis squad pulled off a narrow victory over the racquet men of Skagit Valley Monday without the help of number one player Lee Curry, who is was out of play because of an injured shoulder.

Green River got off slowly in the best of seven match when Terry Wise went down to his singles opponent 6-7, 6-3, 6-2.

Then GRCC netter Vic Blocker rallied in his singles match to put down his Skagit rival 6-1, 3-6, 6-2. This brings Blocker's record to

10-1 for the season.

The rally slowed for Green River in the next match when Dave Lester lost in two close sets 7-6, 6-4. In the next two matches Steve Blocker blitzed his opponent in straight sets 6-0, 6-0 and Lincoln Miner won his match in straight sets 6-1, 7-5.

This left the Gators one victory shy going into the doubles competition which Coach Steve Sauers said has been one of the team's weaker points.

Skagit Valley won the first doubles match 9-8, but doubles partners Vic Blocker and Dave Lester dominated their opponents winning in straight sets 6-4, 6-3 in the second doubles match.

The win over Skagit Valley puts Green River at the top of the league with a 10-1 record for the season and 4-0 in the league. This brings the win-loss record of the Green River men's tennis team to 119-26 since its formation in 1970.



THINCLADS AT WORK — Scott Moultime, left, is one of the men who ran last Friday night on the record-setting mile team that established a new school mark of 3:20.6. Don Jacobs shows his form going over 6-4 in the high jump and Tam White, right, puts forth his best effort in the long jump.

LATE SCORES — Green River's baseball team yesterday won twice against Everett, 2-0 and 2-1. Gary Devine pitched the first game and Braxton Rawls threw a two-hitter in the second which went 10 innings.

