

Ken Tomory receives award

by Tina Crinite

Ken Tomory, chair of the Student Health Advisory Committee, received an award from United Blood Services of Las Vegas April 22. The award was presented to Tomory by Patty Kuepper, community relations representative for United Blood Services.

The Community Service Award was in recognition of the largest number of pints of blood collected by UNLV for 1990. In the college and university category, UNLV collected 376 pints.

"It's due to Ken's great ideas, and of course all the effort by UNLV," Kuepper said. "The students did extremely well and their support enabled UNLV to raise this amount of blood, thus achieving the award."

During wartime the community was receiving an overabundance of blood from

those wishing to contribute to the war effort. After the resolution of the Middle East conflict, donors dropped swiftly, but Kuepper said the number of blood donors didn't drop at UNLV.

Tomory, who coordinated all the UNLV blood drives along with Kuepper, is hoping to initiate two blood drives a month next school year.

"We hope to raise the amount of pints collected by increasing the number of blood drives a month, therefore resulting in the collection of 80 to 100 pints of blood a month," Tomory said.

Any organization on campus wishing to sponsor a blood drive should contact Ken Tomory at the Student Health Center, 739-3370.

The next scheduled blood drive will be held on May 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in a mobile unit located between Beam and Wright halls.



Former candidates question objectivity of Judicial Council

by Bonar Tucker

The Judicial Council (JC) voted once again on Saturday on appeals submitted by disqualified candidates for election Chris Robertson, Christian Hardigree and Leo Poggione.

However, in spite of the appeals, the council ruled the candidates remain disqualified for this year's student body elections.

"I think it's unfair and I think it's inappropriate," said Hardigree, who had been a candidate for student body vice president.

Hardigree said they had asked for an impartial third party arbitrator but were denied.

"Initially, the Judicial Council and the Elections Board separately agreed to have the arbitrator. Then it was decided by the Judicial Council that an entity could not have an arbitrator," she said.

One of the reasons for requesting an arbitrator was because three members of the council are running for the same offices as Robertson, Hardigree and Poggione. Other members of the JC had actively participated in campaigning for fellow council members.

Hardigree is also upset that votes from the primary election had been counted before anyone was disqualified.

"Chris (Robertson) was a clear cut winner in the primaries," Hardigree said. "He was disqualified after they knew he had won."

Two of the appeals were not heard by the council because Chief Justice Mike Barclay said they had been submitted too late.

"Nowhere does it say anything about deadlines," Hardigree said. "Their old policy (said to be no longer in effect) says we had two weeks to file an appeal and we



Former candidates after being told of their disqualification.

were ok by that standard by one day."

Hardigree said all complaints were in by noon on the Friday before the hearing on Saturday.

One member of the JC, Kara Kelley, voted in the disqualified candidate's favor on Appeal #5. In this complaint, it was stated that rules of the election had denied the former candidates of their rights to due process. The complaint also mentioned existing standards of the Elections Board as being too ambiguous.

Robertson commented there is no way to deal with the problems within the present system.

"The Judicial Council should not have five of the seven people involved with the election hearing a case about the election. It is very unprofessional," he said.

Robertson continued, "Student Government is not a paid professional group so they are entitled to make mistakes. But the same mistakes are killing the election each year."

According to Robertson, students lose respect for their government when these actions occur.

Concerning his receiving the most votes in the primary election, Robertson said, "As long as you have students electing officers and Student Government doesn't allow those elected to hold office, the students will continue to be upset."

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Who's in charge of those in charge? part II

by Bonar Tucker

If Student Government members have in fact been holding offices illegally all year, just who gets to handle the clean-up?

According to their own rules, officers who receive fee waivers from Student Government (SG) shall reimburse SG for the cost of classes not completed.

Also, officers who receive fee waivers from SG who fail to complete six credits during the semester shall reimburse SG for the cost of their classes for that semester.

No mention is made about receiving monthly stipend

checks while not meeting eligibility requirements to hold office. Some directors receive \$250 a month and are granted up to a 24-credit fee waiver for classes.

After UNLV President Robert Maxson said the responsibility would clearly lie with the Judicial Council, The Yellin' Rebel contacted the JC's Chief Justice, Mike Barclay.

When asked if the Judicial Council would be enforcing the payback rule Barclay said, "The Constitution is poorly written and doesn't provide for things like that. I would hope the administration would enforce that policy."

University Regent Carolyn Sparks said student activities involving money are generally handled by Student Services. Or perhaps, she added, Vice President of Finance Harry Neel would be involved.

Neel said, "I would assume most of this comes under Dr. Ackerman. The system," he said, "points up in a general manner that people are basically honest. Occasionally, you get a situation where that is not necessarily the truth."

He continued, "It doesn't sound like Student Government has much of a review process."

Robert Ackerman, vice president of Student Services, said it would be up to President Joe Bunin to enforce the rules. Bunin was responsible for hiring the directors to begin with.

"The University of Nevada System will hold someone accountable," Ackerman said.

University attorney Brad Boone said, "If violations are demonstrated, Student Government would need to take legal actions against the individuals. Any member of the student body could sue Student Government to enforce its own rules."

Rules committee clears Senator

by Ched Whitney

In deliberation that lasted more than four hours, the Student Government Rules and Ethics Committee unanimously voted against a complaint filed by Bud Benneman, president pro tempore of the senate, involving Tracy Barkhuff, a senator representing the College of Education.

The complaint alleged that Barkhuff had seen the confidential grade reports of certain Student Government Executive Board members and had passed this information along.

Barkhuff was reticent to speak on the matter while the committee was deliberating.

"I would appreciate it if this did not appear in print so as not to slander me to my constituents," Barkhuff said.

"Heresay is not grounds for

anything. Talk is cheap and I got caught up in a rumor that 18,000 other students got caught up in."

Sen. Joel Kostman said afterward that he had taken exception with the fact that the complaint stated that Barkhuff "saw" certain information and that all the evidence given pertained to word of mouth.

Kostman also said he felt the committee must stick to the issue at hand in cases like this.

"I think that the Rules and Ethics Committee needs to focus on the issue at hand," he said, "and not any personal feelings or bias."

Rules and Ethics Committee Chair Mike Bunin repeatedly requested that The Yellin' Rebel cover this meeting. But after 45 minutes of discussion, the reporter was asked to leave.

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