

# Senate positions filled

by Karen Splawn

Three seats were filled at the Nov. 14 Student Government Senate meeting.

The new senators are Steve Chu-Shiong Huang (science and mathematics), junior Scott Fisher (business and economics) and junior Todd Weber (hotel administration).

Fisher and Weber were appointed by a unanimous vote. Huang, a biochemistry major, was elected over recent Eldorado High School graduate Steven Amend and Deanne King, a junior who served as student government vice president at Western Nevada Community College.

Fisher, who has served before, and Huang are members of Tau Kappa Epsilon. Weber belongs to the Hotel

Association.

Fisher was also elected 5-4 over Sen. Mike Young (liberal arts) as chair of the Rules Committee.

Fisher said he wouldn't turn it into "a headhunting committee," but he wouldn't be afraid to take senators who violate policy to task.

"Hopefully, my committee won't have anything to do," Fisher added. "But if it does, I'm the right person to get it done."

The biggest controversy of the meeting happened when an agenda item asking for approval of \$3,392 to send four people to a student services convention in Florida. The Senate approved the item 9-1, with Sen. Jami Nalder (hotel) abstaining.

Sen. Jerome Duran (engineering), who voted

against the trip, suggested that three people should be sent because Student Government's image would be helped.

"What makes the difference is the message we send," Duran said. "A lot of people see Student Government as self-serving."

Student Services Director Mike Quick, Vice President Kevin Briggs, Nalder and an unidentified student will attend the convention.

Student Vice President Robert Ackerman said his university budget paid for one registration fee.

Briggs pointed out that four people would be more effective than three.

"We'll be able to bring back more ideas," Briggs said. "There are so many workshops to cover, and four can do it better."

Nalder said she didn't think sending four to the convention would make students angry.

In other business, the Senate:

—Voted 11-0 to approve Brian Cox, a junior majoring in accounting, as Appropriations Board director. Cox will receive a \$150 monthly salary and a 15-credit fee waiver.

—Voted 12-0 for an \$11,598 maintenance fee for KUNV's transmitter.

—Approved 12-0 \$2,265 for office renovations for Student Services.

—Approved 12-0 \$2,175 for new mailboxes for organizations such as sororities.

—Voted 12-0 for \$700 to pay the salaries of workers supervising voting booths during the Nov. 19-20 special election.

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tapings) happened. I believe that a university is a place where freedom of speech needs to be protected."

According to a column in *The Las Vegas Review Journal* on Nov. 10, the board became "riven" over the possibility of this meeting.

"Shelley Berkley and Jill Derby began pushing for the meeting while Chairman Carolyn Sparks, Dan Klaich and Joe Foley tried to head it off—a few even threatened to boycott such a session."

Berkley has remained firm, however, in her statement that the regents' job is not to protect the president.

"We'll speak with whomever to get the information we need," she said.

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described as a white, heavy-set male, approximately 190 pounds with brown hair.

His vehicle is described as a tan Oldsmobile Cutlass with a primer grey right front fender, and Nevada plates.

"The plate number is fictitious, so it cannot be traced," said Barrett.

Any students who sight this vehicle or who find themselves exposed to this individual are urged to contact Public Safety, 739-3668.

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know of their legal, consumer and academic rights, and define academic and legal responsibilities.

"There is a 40 percent drop-out rate at UNLV during the freshman year. This could be reversed if Student Government pushed academics more strongly than it does now," he said.

Kennedy's booklet states three ways to push academics: the establishment of an academic orientation program for incoming freshmen, a faculty assistance and development program and a center for academic resources.

The academic orientation program, designed as a "mini-prep course," would help students adjust to college studies.

Funding would be the biggest obstacle to starting an academic resource center, according to the report. Kennedy proposed raising \$400,000 through state funding, donations and increasing tuition and credit fees.

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serve the Notice of Grievance on the respondent and file it with the appropriate person or persons, as specified below within 15 working days from the date he or she discovers the decision, action or failure to act being challenged.

As for the camera equipment, Robert Ackerman, vice president of Student Services, said he was unsure where it came from. Ackerman is the immediate supervisor of Public Safety, the office said to have placed the camera, but he said he couldn't say just where the equipment came from.

"I don't know if the equipment was rented or purchased," he said. "I know it had to have been secured from somewhere."

University Police Chief David Hollenbeck said some of the equipment was already in the department but some had to be purchased for this incident.

State law doesn't mention the use of video cameras. Nor does it say anything about monitoring non-criminals.

In order for Smith to receive the evidence he has requested, UNS Codes needed to be followed. Regents will decide this week if they were.

# Crime awareness is the law

by William Holt

Director of Public Safety David Hollenbeck described the typical campus criminal as someone who mainly seeks to steal personal property by waiting to find an unattended purse or by roaming the departmental offices.

"Most crimes on campus are that of opportunity; a lapse of due care from the owner," he said.

The legal name for the most common crime committed on campus is "larceny" (theft). Hollenbeck said that his department has recently seen an increase in campus auto theft.

When a threatening type or amount of crime is reoccurring in any area of the campus, Hollenbeck said that Public Safety will place bulletins in that area and use any means of broadcasting available so that faculty,

staff and students will be aware of the situation.

Hollenbeck said that he has never had to do this at UNLV.

He said that some campuses' public safety departments are only for security. His department is a full-fledged police department with the same jurisdiction of law enforcement that a metropolitan police department has.

He also said that as proportionally compared to the community of a city, UNLV security is more concentrated in the area of the campus community. One reason for this higher distribution of security is due to the use of student security services which pay students to carry a walkie-talkie and act as the "eyes and ears" of Public Safety.

In 1990, congress passed the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act

which requires all universities to have to report certain categories of crime and to create official reports regarding campus security policy so that the campus will be aware of crime rates and warnings. Hollenbeck said that his department plans to mail these reports to faculty, staff and students on an annual basis and that they are available to anyone upon request.

The categories of crime that will be reported as required by the 1990 legislation include murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arrests for liquor law violation, arrests for drug abuse and arrests for weapons possession.

In 1990, the number of offenses for violent crime at UNLV were: zero for murder; one for rape; two for robbery and five for aggravated assault. The number

of offenses at UNLV for property crime in 1990 were: 74 for burglary, 171 for larceny (theft), 21 for motor vehicle theft and one for arson.

Other areas that the annual report has to include are: the campus areas containing law enforcement, the procedures for facilities to report crimes, the access to campus facilities, what type of authority a campus department of security has, what relationship the campus security has to the metropolitan police department, the availability of alcohol and drug enforcement policy and education programs, the description of a campus crime prevention program and the decision whether or not students have access to the law.

Hollenbeck said that a copy of legislation can be obtained by students in the library.

# Economics students granted scholarships

by Kelly Hansen

The Accounting Circle honored donors and recipients of three scholarships Wednesday at the Thomas & Mack Center.

The Accounting Circle consists of Las Vegas professionals with an interest in accounting, whose goals are to raise funds for the accounting department at UNLV and to raise scholarship money for accounting majors.

The organization was formed two years ago and has about 20 members. Their first year they awarded over \$4,000 in scholarships. Last year that jumped to \$19,000, and their goal for this year is to award \$23,000-\$25,000 in scholarships.

Three scholarships were awarded

at \$1,500 each.

Circus Circus Enterprises Inc. awarded a scholarship to Peter Shay. Towbin Automotive Inc. awarded a scholarship to Daniel Hutchison. Selma Bartlett awarded the Lois Gillman Memorial Scholarship to Sandy Talbot.

Making the presentations were Ken Sawyer, co-chair of Accounting Circle, Wayne Label, professor of accounting and chair of the accounting department, Dan Towbin, member of Accounting Circle and Michelle

Stickney, co-chair of Accounting Circle.

"We received about 35 applications and awarded the scholarships on the basis of merit and financial need," Stickney said.

The scholarships are renewable each year if the student qualifies.

The 1992-93 scholarship applications will be available in January and must be completed before the end of the spring semester. For more information contact the economics department at 739-3776.



Ken Sawyer, Wayne Label and Michelle Stickney

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