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Student Government trip questioned

by Bonar Tucker

As rumors grew concerning the activities of Student Government representatives while attending a conference in Florida, one senator demanded an explanation.

Senate President Pro Tempore Bud Benneman requested a full accounting of the trip that was taken by four Student Government members to attend the National Conference on Student Services in November.

"The Senate and the student body have a right to know what happened on this trip," Benneman said.

Questions arose concerning why a hotel room that was paid for with student fees was later cashed in on with the money being used to fund a day at Disney World for (then) Student Services Director Mike Quick, Student Government Vice President Kevin Briggs, Senator Jami Nalder and Senator Scott Fisher. Funding for two rooms had been allocated for the students who decided to stay in one room and receive the cash

back for the second.

"I was the executive board member there," Briggs said, "and I made the decision." Briggs continued that the money had recently been returned to Student Government (seven weeks after the trip).

"Although we actually saved Student Government money from the room, there may be a question of ethics involved," he said.

Receipts were also submitted by Quick in an effort to have Student Government reimburse him for money spent for the use of a rental car, according to the CSUN business manager, Lori Snyder. Benneman requested Quick clarify his admittance to using that rental car to travel to Georgia to visit friends while at the conference.

"Since the rental car came with unlimited mileage allowed, it didn't cost Student Government any money," Briggs said. "However, there is a question about the use of his (Quick's) time involved."

Student Body President Roderick

Plot thickens at senate meeting

by Karen Splawn

Sen. Jami Nalder said at Wednesday's Student Government meeting that she was asked to cover up information regarding a Student Services convention she and three others attended.

Nalder told senators that Scott Fisher told her she didn't have to be honest about the events which occurred at the National Student Ser-

vices Conference, held in Orlando Nov. 23-26.

Nalder attended the convention with Fisher, former Student Services Director Mike Quick and Vice President Kevin Briggs.

She said Fisher told her, "You don't exactly have to say the truth; soften it up a little bit."

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Colebrook voiced his surprise at the actions of the representatives.

"They were sent to a conference with the purpose of getting information back for us to use to have the best Student Services program," Colebrook said. "I expected them to go to the conference."

Colebrook told *The Rebel Yell* that Quick is no longer Student Services

director. Although Colebrook did not state the reasons for this, Benneman said it was learned in January that Quick had dropped his classes last fall.

"Student Government should not reimburse Mike Quick for a rental car that he drove to Georgia. He wasn't even a student when he went on the

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Faculty Senate votes to give up merit raises

by Natalie Lutz

The UNLV Faculty Senate voted Tuesday to defer their merit pay for one year and stop current proceedings on merit applications. These efforts, on the part of the faculty, came about during a meeting focusing on solutions to the \$10.2 million budget cut. The merit raises, which were to begin in July 1992, will be returned to the general fund, saving an estimated \$828,167.

The merit deferment is not the only action Faculty Senate would like to see. They also said that if the faculty is to wait on their 2 percent merit raise, then both the students and classified employees should sacrifice as well.

"We are not willingly giving up merit. We expect the legislature to return 4 percent to make up for what we were short. We expect it to come back," said Phillip Lowry, chair of Public Administration and associate professor of management.

"Whatever is done here at this university must be done at Reno too. It has to be a system-wide decision," Lowry said.

The motion for the proposed merit cuts was made by Ken Hanlon, associate professor of music and proxy for Sen. Isabelle Emerson. The measure was passed with only two op-

posing votes.

There was also an amendment made by Jim Deacon, distinguished professor of biological sciences, which stated that the merit, when reinstated, would include the performance of the deferred year.

There were three alternatives on the floor at the Senate meeting. The first would ask faculty to give up this year's merit raise and start them again in July 1993. The second and agreed upon alternative was to defer the merits for a year. The third alternative was to not give up the merit raise at all.

"Cuts have to be made. The university would be better off to absorb it (the cuts) in one year and not damage the university in the future," President Robert Maxson said.

Along with the proposed deferment of merit raises, 45 to 50 new faculty positions will not be filled and a hiring freeze will be in effect for both classified and part-time positions.

The present school year, 1991-92, allotments will also have to be returned to the general fund, including \$224,672 for special projects, \$2 million for minor repairs and improvements, \$100,000 in law school planning, \$200,089 for unfilled faculty positions and

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Disney on Ice



photo by Wray Halterman

Walt Disney's 'World on Ice' now playing at the Thomas & Mack.

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