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## Prof. says axe basketball

### Deacon suggests two-year suspension at Faculty Senate meeting

by Tricia Ciaravino

James Deacon, professor of biological sciences, made a motion to recommend a two-year suspension of the UNLV basketball program at Tuesday's Faculty Senate Meeting.

Deacon stated three "crucial" points for the suspension.

"As National Collegiate Athletic Association members, it is our responsibility to monitor, investigate and report to the NCAA possible infractions," he said.

"Under the present in-

*"The frequently asserted position that the basketball program has made this university what it is today, reflects both a bizarre perception of reality and an abysmal failure to understand the function of a university in society."*  
—Jim Deacon

stance, with Tarkanian having rescinded his resignation, it makes it impossible to recruit another coach. We (either) choose to let a coach who has already legally resigned fill a position he already fills or quit

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## Park at your own risk

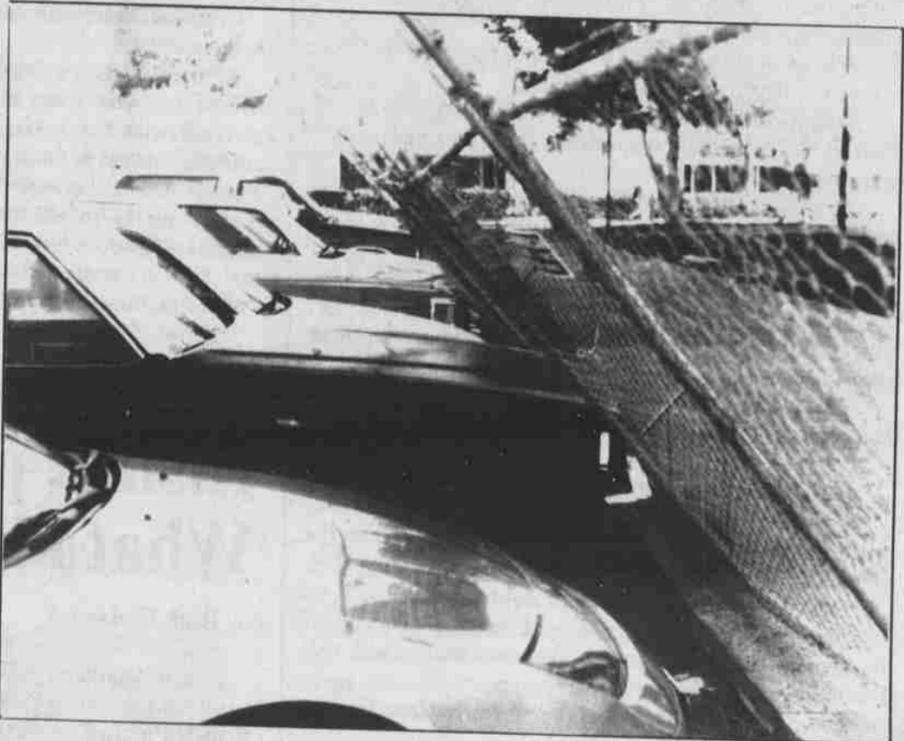


photo by Morgan Fisher

Automobiles of faculty and staff members parked between Tonopah and Beam Halls act as fence posts, holding up fence knocked over by winds.

## Faculty senate votes to support Maxson

by Tricia Ciaravino

Faculty Senate Chair Lori Temple also produced a resolution at Tuesday's Faculty Senate meeting, concerning institutional control. The resolution states that the senate supports Maxson wholeheartedly in his efforts to control the athletics program and will continue to do so.

The senate hemmed and hawed about passing this resolution. Some senators were concerned with the wording, while others were

just plain tired of dealing with academic problems.

"I think it's a bunch of hair-splitting," said Sen. Jim Swetnam, in regards to their questions.

\* Swetnam suggested a vote to end the problems once and for all.

"How many vote to fire Tarkanian, how many vote to fire Maxson? I would vote to fire Tarkanian," he said.

The Senate is also considering a new course repeat policy. As it stands now, when a student repeats a course he effectively wipes out the old

grade. The old grade is not computed into the student's grade point average. The new policy will still allow a student to repeat a course, but the old grade will be kept along with the new one and will be computed into the GPA.

Most of the senate agreed the new policy was a good idea in conjunction with the new academic standards. Only one senator opposed.

The issue will be decided on April 7.

## Yaeger says book not part of plan

### 'Shark Attack' author calls scrapping basketball an 'overreaction'

by Bonar Tucker

Calling the prospect of closing the UNLV basketball program for the next two years an "overreaction which would hurt the university nationally," author Don Yaeger voiced his opinion on the controversy surrounding UNLV President Robert Maxson and Coach Jerry Tarkanian.

"It's a shame that these two sides couldn't co-exist," Yaeger said. "There's a strong chance that the basketball program will fold and as bad as that is, it is of less concern to me than how the rest of the university will be damaged as well."

Yaeger, who wrote the controversial *Shark Attack*, which is reported to be selling rapidly at area bookstores, said the book was not the result of some contrived plan. He was in the final stages of negotiating a book

contract on another subject when he and his publisher became interested in the UNLV-Tarkanian news.

"The publisher is in New York," Yaeger said, "and this news was in *The New York Times* every day. It was a mutual interest. I took a trip to Vegas to see who would agree to be interviewed."

Numerous interviews later, the completed cover of the book now reads, "By Don Yaeger with the cooperation of Jerry Tarkanian." However, Yaeger said Tark was originally a little leery of being interviewed.

"He had been interested in doing his own book and he had already been burned by the press," he said. "But after I had conducted some key interviews and got it all laid out, Tarkanian was blown away. He wanted to know what it would take to get the message out nationally."

Yaeger makes it clear that Tarkanian received no money and no editorial control for *Shark Attack*. When asked if some may perceive it as being biased with Tarkanian's cooperation written on the cover,

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## Rules Committee drops charges against Nalder

by Tricia Ciaravino

The Rules Committee voted unanimously to drop complaints filed against Sen. Jami Nalder for misconduct Wednesday.

"There will be no charges or anything of that nature," said Mike Young, vice chair of the committee.

Sen. Crystal Ortega had filed a complaint against Nalder for conduct unbecoming of a senator by failure to uphold the Student Government constitution. Nalder had admitted she knew Mike Quick, former director of Student Services, had dropped his classes making him ineligible for his position.

Ortega was not present at

the meeting. Bud Benneman, senate president pro tempore, who was acting in Nalder's defense, called Ortega's absence "ludicrous." Quick was not present, either.

At the Wednesday meeting, Nalder said Quick told her he had dropped his classes while

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