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Supporters on both sides attend rally

by Karen Splawn

Speakers at a Thursday rally in support of academics found themselves facing angry supporters of the basketball program and Coach Jerry Tarkanian.

The rally was organized by Randy Hale, a graphic artist with Telemedia Services, who said the rally was privately paid for and he "would take the blame."

"This rally is not about one side or the other," Hale said. "It's a gathering of those who care about this school and its mission."

The tension building from the feud between University President Robert Maxson and the famed coach could be felt at

the rally.

One man could be overheard saying he was "waiting for the Guatemalan soldiers to come down" to keep order.

University Police showed up to keep the peace later on, especially when some in the crowd started getting pushy with whoever disagreed.

Administration supporters held up signs reading, "UNLV is not just a sport," and "Take back our university."

One faculty member said she was speaking out because of an incident that occurred in the late '70s. A gas station attendant, after seeing a UNLV sticker on her car, told her, "I wouldn't send my dog to UNLV."



see RALLY page 3 Thursday's rally supporting academics became instead a large shouting match.

photo by Tricia Ciaravino

Regents increase per-credit fee

Fall '92 tuition will be \$56 per credit, up \$7

by Gena Atkinson

A tuition increase, which will go into effect this fall, was passed by the Board of Regents Friday. The increase will offset Gov. Bob Miller's request to reduce university and college budgets by 8 percent. UNLV students will pay an additional \$5 per credit compared to the community colleges' \$1.37 and University of Nevada-Reno's \$3.50.

Because a fee increase of \$2 was already planned in the budget, students will pay \$56 per credit instead of \$49, or \$7 more per credit hour. That's \$21 extra per three-credit class. A student taking five three-credit classes will pay an additional \$105. Tuition would then be \$840 per semester compared to \$735 those students pay now. That amounts to an additional \$210 per year.

Regent Daniel Klaich made the motion to institute the \$5 increase. According to University President Robert Maxson, he spoke with faculty members and students who were in a "wonderful consensus."

"We all support Klaich's motive behind the motion," Maxson said. "There are only a

few points of his which do not fit into our plan.

"The main conflict we encountered was choosing between \$5 and \$8, not on having or not having an increase. The votes were split and at one point the graduate students requested a \$10 increase.

"A consensus opposed the increase in out-of-state tuition. It is not something students will enforce," Maxson said, referring to his main contention with Klaich's plan.

Maxson said the impact would be fatal to the university unless a fee increase was instituted.

"Over 55 new faculty positions will be cut and 600 less courses will be offered," he said. "With the surcharge, we intend to fill the 50 vacancies which are desperately needed and to selectively fill 10-15 new positions."

Regent June Whitley said, "In all clear consciousness, I can't vote for a \$5 increase in addition to the \$2 increase already scheduled for next year, making it a total of a \$7 increase for next semester. Who ever you (Maxson) spoke to, is obviously not in need."

Shelly Berkley said, "I don't want to raise tuition anymore, yet I also don't want to lead students on by making empty promises to provide courses

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Should Jerry Tarkanian be allowed to continue coaching at UNLV?

YES 66% 208

NO 20% 63

UND. 14% 44

Should Robert Maxson stay on as president of UNLV?

YES 42% 133

NO 35% 111

UND. 23% 73

Do you think there has been a conspiracy against Coach Tarkanian by the UNLV administration?

YES 60% 188

NO 15% 49

UND. 25% 78

Do you care about the current basketball controversy?

YES 79% 249

NO 20% 62

UND. 1% 3

Students agree: Controversy needs to end

by Ched Whitney

In a survey conducted by *The Rebel Yell*, 317 students voiced their views on the controversy surrounding the university administration and the basketball program. The survey is not scientific, but reporters went to different buildings, all across campus, in an effort to get the opinion of a variety of students.

Among the students questioned, an overwhelming number said Jerry Tarkanian should remain as head basketball coach. The "Yes" votes for Tarkanian outnumbered the "No" votes 208-63.

On the question of whether UNLV President Robert Maxson should remain, the result was not as clear-cut. Only 42 percent said Maxson should stay, while 35 percent said he should leave and 23 percent were undecided.

Seventy-nine percent of students polled said they did care about the controversy and expressed the growing sentiment that the issue needs to be resolved.

"The administration and Tarkanian should work

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