

Rodriguez moves on

Following the vote last Thursday which expelled Campus Advance from the Organizations Board, Dan Rice, the minister for the Greater Las Vegas Church of Christ, the church of which the group sprung, said, "there is no hard feelings" due to the vote which went 53 in favor of expulsion, five against with 10 abstentions. Rice said part of the problem was "there is a scare in this country about cultism." His church, he believes, is considered a cult by some because its members are very committed and very zealous. "Our church and Christianity are most important (in the church members' lives), and everything else is secondary," Rice said. This, he added, sometimes "goes against the grain" of the way people feel about religious groups today.

to get room reservations for free and does not effect the students who wish to continue evangelizing on campus. Ed Marshall, the Organizations Board director, explained that appeal process would involve going to the Student Senate which could reinstate the organization with a majority vote. Marshall explained to the board before the vote that any decision to remove this group as an organization would mean the group also would not be recognized at the University of Nevada, Reno. "Being removed from a board," Marshall said, "means this group can never be an organization in the state of Nevada, not here and not at UNR.' Rice said the church is not interested in fighting. "We're not a political organization; we're just a church." He added that if a fight were to come about it would be done by the American Civil Liberties Union which would determine if the church's civil liberties were violated.

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Ray Rodriguez, a health education coordinator for UNLV's Health Center, was the main speaker for the faction against Campus Advance. He said he was pleased the Organizations Board made the right decision based on presented facts, adding that no longer being recognized takes away the organization's "legitimacy on campus.". Rodriguez explained during the meeting that the organization posed possible health threat through what he called "victimization control." He added the group is "dangerous" because it attempts to control its members through such tactics as harassment and isolation. He is considered to be an expert in the areas of victimization and control. During the meeting, Rice said it is not the church's policy to teach harassment or isolation. In fact, he said he "encourages members to seek help from teachers and to visit family." In a subsequent interview, Rice clarified that the harassment charges may be due to the zealous members in their evangelism.



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The current health education coordinator for UNLV's Student Health Services is leaving the university to broaden his scope of health education for the Las Vegas valley.

Friday is the last day Ray Rodriguez, who has been with the Health Center since August 1990, will serve as health coordinator on campus. He will be taking on the responsibilities of running a health care education program for F.H.P. (Family Health Plan) Health Care.

Rodriguez said he is sad to be leaving the university which "has treated me wonderfully," but added he still will be available 10 hours a week on Monday and Thursday nights as a presenter or to speak to those who need him.

Taking over his responsibilities for the peer education program is Kim Jeffery, with whom Rodriguez has been coordinating

two of the three types of programs. Jeffery, he explained, is finishing her Masters in psychology and "is damn good" for the peer program.

He added he will continue his involvement with peer sexuality education.

Although sad that he will not be working with as many campus students, Rodriguez said the move would be "a great way to expand my health education skills." He will continue to work with many of the same committees through F.H.P., such as the youth group against alcohol abuse, pregnancy prevention, HIV education and Committee Action Against Rape.

Rodriguez is hoping to one day get his Masters and Ph.D in health education. He is also hoping to transfer with F.H.P. to a state with a university that offers such a program. Currently, UNLV does not have such a Masters or Ph.D program.

Rodriguez said he will assist in the F.H.P. health education, which is new to Las Vegas.

Rice also said he was disappointed and said the "ironic thing is the organization has only used club privileges twice" which were for rooms in the Moyer Student Union.

There is an appeal process that the group could take, but Rice said they are not looking to use that choice right now. "Whether or not

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