

Poll shows students favor education price controls

TAMU students are, predictably, in favor of measures intended to save them money, according to the compiled results from the Nov. 13 National Student Lobby issue referendum.

Seventy-nine per cent of the students polled agreed with the application of Phase IV price guidelines to education, which

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\$9,000 it received last year, Great Issues was asking for \$14,150 over \$13,500 and Town Hall was asking for \$37,000 over \$32,500 for 1973-74.

Assistant Director for Management Services Ed Davis and Staff Assistant to the TAMU President Roger Miller presented the shuttle bus request to the student services fee allocation committee.

The \$60,000 request was based upon ridership for 1973-74, said Davis.

Contract cost will increase 40 cents to the maximum \$7.65 that can be charged per hour for bus service. Based on the current service of six buses operating 63 hours per day the budget projection for 1974-75 totals \$81,612 which includes contract cost, night bus service and contingencies.

Another \$40,870 is the revenue projected from ridership with increases in the current user fee. Proposed rates include a two dollar raise to \$20 for two semesters for a student, a six dollar increase to \$30 for student and spouse and an eight dollar raise to \$30 for faculty-staff.

"We still have a couple of areas we feel deserve service," said Davis, defending the \$19,258 requested funds for expansion of the service.

Davis said it is not possible to run strictly on users fees, mainly because the alternative, driving to campus, would be cheaper.

Miller said income from faculty-staff was lower than from students because they do not live in concentrated areas. He added that apartment complexes were not interested in helping to fund the buses.

"Each of us has the ability to economize and I feel car pools are grossly more efficient than the shuttle buses," said Tom Taylor committee member.

Miller argued increased fuel costs and parking fee would increase ridership and demand a larger service.

Miori said next fall there would be a spreading of classes throughout the day due to a lack of classroom space and this system would increase passenger load along with more evenly distributing it.

Public hearings before the student services fee allocation committee will continue Thursday and Friday with the final proposal being presented to the Student Senate Jan. 30 and voted on Feb. 6. Hearings are in Room 501 of the Tower as follows.

THURSDAY

7:30 Athletic Department
8:30 Intramural Department

FRIDAY

7:30 Student Publications
8:00 Health Center
8:30 Student Lawyer
9:00 Student Government.

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS will meet concerning the Texas Constitutional Convention at Bryan Building & Loan at 7:30 p. m. A short film will be shown and the public is welcome.

PHI SIGMA BETA will meet at 7 p. m. in Room 302 of the Rudder Tower. Coat and tie are requested.

TAMU WEIGHTLIFTING CLUB will meet in Room 254 in G. Rollie White Coliseum at 7 p. m. Everyone should bring trophies and pictures. New members are welcome.

THURSDAY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT RADIO PERSONNEL from last semester will meet at 8:30 p. m. at Midwest Video to discuss the coming semester.

TAMU HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION will meet at 7 p. m. in Room 215 of the Animal Industries Building.

UEDIC SOCIETY will meet to discuss "Karma Yoga" at 7:30 p. m. in Room 216 of the Memorial Student Center.

PANHANDLE HOMETOWN CLUB will plan a party at 8 p. m. in Room 402 of the Rudder Tower.

AQUA DOLLS, an organization of girls to time the swim teams will have a meeting for interested girls at 7 p. m. in the Letterman's Lounge of G. Rollie White Coliseum.

AGGIE CINEMA will present two Clint Eastwood movies "A Fistful of Dollars" and "For a Few Dollars More" in the University Center Theater. The shows begin at 7 and 8:45 p. m. Admission is \$1.

FRIDAY
OCEANOGRAPHY SEMINAR will be held in Room 112 of the Oceanography and Meteorology Building at 3:30 p. m. Dr. Richard Casey of Rice University will speak on Radiolaria as Indicators of Oceanographic and Paleo Oceanographic Phenomena.

would limit raises in tuition, student fees and room and board costs to 2 1/2 per cent per year. The remaining 21 per cent wanted to exempt education costs from price controls.

Approximately 1,800 TAMU students voted on the referendum, said Barb Sears, External Affairs chairperson. The final results are sent to the national NSL headquarters to help them decide which issues they will lobby for

during the following year.

Sears also sent copies of the TAMU results to all Texas congressmen.

In other measures concerned with money, forty-seven per cent of the voters said increased funding was necessary for student financial aid programs. Yet 39 per cent said they were insufficiently informed on the topic to decide whether the funding was adequate or not.

Seventy per cent felt discount air fares should be granted to all youth and senior citizens. Only 10 per cent felt there should be full air fare for all, regardless of age.

Official participation of students in collective bargaining between faculty and administration on salaries, classroom conditions and University governance was endorsed by 59 per cent of the voting Aggies.

Seventy-one per cent also wanted student representation on university boards of trustees.

TAMU's male dominance may have had some effect on the results, especially where 56 per cent noted that the NSL's efforts to eliminate sex discrimination were an inadequate area of concern.

Thirty-one per cent did feel that the NSL should lobby to eliminate sex discrimination in

post secondary education, child care and for the enforcement of the equal rights amendment.

On national issues, 61 per cent of the students supported congressional restriction of presidential war-making powers. Fifty-six per cent opposed U.S. troop reductions in order to cut defense department expenditures.

Half of the voters completely opposed amnesty for Viet Nam era draft evaders and deserters

while 41 per cent favored conditional amnesty with a service requirement.

Postcard voter registration federal elections was opposed 48 per cent while 20 per cent expressed no opinion on the issue. U.S. legislation to prohibit United Nations sanctions on importation of U.S. products into the U.S. was supported by 54 per cent while 41 per cent opposed.

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