

Majority Opinion by Councilor Leonard

**JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATED
STUDENTS OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY**

Lu Yang, Executive Director of Finance for ASOSU

INQUIRY TO THE ASOSU JUDICIAL COUNCIL

No. 11-106(i)

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Lu Yang, Executive Director of Finance for ASOSU, has brought a question before the Judicial Counsel regarding whether or not the House Ways and Means Committee could allocate funds for a workshop that is not part of ASOSU. The Statute in question: Title 2, Section 2, letter F, Number 1 reads if funds are approved by the House and already allocated, there is no reason that they cannot be used. The only reason that an event would not be allowed to continue would be if it actually certified students in anyway. However, a seminar, lecture, workshop or other event whose purpose and goal is not the certification of Oregon State University students has no reason to be denied funding, assuming Congress passes a bill or resolution in favor of that program before funding is requested.

Writ of Inquiry Lu Yang, Executive Director of Finance for ASOSU

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It is the opinion of the Judicial Counsel of ASOSU this day, the 4th of February 2011, that the ways and Means committee may approve funds for a L.E.E.D (Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design) Workshop, to promote awareness on the main Campus of OSU.

It is the opinion of this counsel, after careful review of the relevant statutes, that there is no reason to halt or stop a workshop that is not in violation of any regulation regarding the Ways and Means committee. The only way a violation would be committed, is if the workshop in question were providing legal certificates, which would allow students to perform some task that they could not perform without said certificate. As this workshop does not plan to certify students in L.E.E.D. there is not reason that this counsel can see to stop the workshop.

The Ways and Means committee may allocate funds outside of ASOSU, if the funds are going toward something that is beneficial to students, there is substantial advertising , and the event does not seek to certify the attending students in any given area of expertise.