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Senate supports E 306 plan

Representatives to debate anti-association groups

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Student senators Tuesday gave tentative support to the current English 306 proposal and announced participation in three upcoming debates with groups pushing to dismantle the association.

Angela Cotera, an engineering senator on the University Policy Committee, said the association "probably will encourage" the proposal currently recommended by the E 306 Committee.

Under a proposal drafted by the E 346K Committee during the summer, E 306, a freshman rhetoric and composition course, would remain a requirement of the nine-hour English sequence, but would not be offered during the regular session.

Students would have to satisfy the requirement by transfer, examination, a UT summer course or a UT extension course.

But Cotera also said the association will suggest some changes, and said Student Senate support was "not carved in stone."

As part of its efforts to work with groups interested in dissolving student government, association representatives will lock viewpoints three times in seven days in face-to-face debates with members of anti-association groups.

Jody Scheske, Students' Association financial director, and Committee to Retire Aspiring Politicians member James Newberry will speak for their organizations in the first debate at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Robert A. Welch Hall 2.224.

Scheske said Scott Scarborough, association president, and Tim Belton, Young Conservatives of Texas member, will moderate the debate.

Students Tired of Manipulative Politics member Todd White will debate Tony Franzetti, a member of Students for Student Government. The debate was arranged by the Off-Campus Students' Organization, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Peter T. Flawn Academic Center Auditorium.

Mark Borden, Off-Campus Students Association president, said the panel for the White-Franzetti debate will include Kevin Williams, Black Student Alliance member; Mike Semon, off-campus association member; and Beth Wiederaenders, University National Organization for Women member.

College Houses and *Utmost* magazine are sponsoring a third debate, between Scarborough and Richard Munisteri, a CRAP member, at 7 p.m. Monday, in the Texas Union.

The debates are part of the association's efforts to expand student knowledge of its services. Senators also stressed the association's participation in the Speaker Circuit, a program to communicate the func-

tions of the Students' Association to student groups, primarily fraternities and sororities.

Janie Perelman, association vice president, said the communications effort will focus on the Greek community because of a lack of manpower to reach other student groups.

But Daniel Benavides, senator at large, said the association will "alienate more people when we focus on fraternities and sororities."

Benavides said the association should not "forget how important the so-called lesser organizations are."

Concern about addressing issues raised by the two anti-association groups permeated the Senate meeting.

Tommy Tompkins, senator at large, said the senate will conduct a study on the issue of the association endorsing candidates for public office, a sore spot among groups advocating the abolition of student government.

"We really want to get information on the anti-endorsement side of things," Tompkins said.

And several senators took opportunities to stress the cost effectiveness of association programs, eliciting applause from the other senators on two occasions.