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Academic Planning

Philip K. Iobst, Instructor in Philosophy, and John E. Freed, Instructor in English, chat over the recommendations of the Academic Planning Committee, while walking to the Reed Union Building. The recommendation calls for an Academic Dean of Instruction.

Food Service Building Opens With Music and Candlelight

The soft glow of candlelight and background music accompanied the first main meal served in Dobbins Hall, Behrend's new Food Service Building.

Robert C. Finley, Manager of Food and Housing Services, views the new building as a major improvement over the services offered in the Reed Union Building cafeteria. Finley said, "As far as the dining room goes, it is much more comfortable. The milk and juice is much more available, and the ice never runs out."

Although Finley conceded that there are a few problems at the moment such as the long wait on the line, he laid the blame on the newness of the building and said

that the problems originated in personnel. He added that these problems should work out in the near future after everyone becomes accustomed to their new surroundings.

Some students have expressed a dislike for the enforced policy that everyone has to show their meal ticket to the checker, Finley said that this is necessary, "... as we keep records of who eats and when along with total number of meals served. A voice communication can be lost in the noise, and a visual contact is much better." Finley went on to say, "This is helpful if a student should miss 21 consecutive meals and asks for a refund. If we check the records and find that several meals have been checked, the

student is out of luck."

A discontent has been voiced by many over the policy of leaving the building by the rear doors. Finley said, "When there's a line it's a hassle for the people coming in and for the people going out. It's a lot easier for everyone this way."

One major change in time for meals served in Dobbins Hall has been scheduled. Effective November 18, lunch will be served from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Many of the resident students expressed pleasure at the candlelight dinner that was served last Sunday. Jeannie Gray (1st, H.D., Fairview) said, "I thought it was really nice, and offered a switch from the humdrum atmosphere of the regular cafeteria. Plus the food seems to taste better when you're in a better atmosphere." Carol Jamison (1st, L.A. Hamburg) stated, "I like getting dressed up because when you go up to Dobbins, you feel like a grub dressed up in jeans." Students will be pleased to know that the next candlelight dinner will be served November 23.

BSU Extends Invitation to Film Festival

The Black Film Festival will present *Still A Brother* in 101 of the Reed Union Building on November 18 at 7 p.m.; the last in the series for Friday, November 19, at 7 p.m. will be *Black World*.

The Black Student Union cordially extends an invitation to faculty, students and staff to attend the film festival.

New Faculty Positions

Academic Planning Proposes New Position

by Doug Lechliter
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David P. Daniel of the Academic Planning Committee proposed a recommendation that an Academic Dean of Instruction be hired for the future academic planning of the Behrend Campus. The proposal came in accordance with Director Irvin H. Kochel's suggestion for a new academic structure.

Daniel made the recommendation at an Academic Planning Committee meeting on Tuesday, November 16, with the provision that the Dean devote his first year specifically to academic planning and that he be of professorial or doctorate standing. According to the recommendation, the position should be established no later than January 1, 1972, with the Dean commencing his duties the beginning of the spring term

1972.

Although only a committee recommendation, it is expected to be passed on immediately to the Faculty Senate at its next meeting, December 2. Thereupon, it will be acted on and hopefully sent to the appropriate channels.

The recommendation came after vigorous debate over the justification and duties of a professional planner. Debate concerned whether the planner should pursue the general guidelines for academic development which were drawn up last year.

Philip K. Iobst, Instructor in Philosophy, made an original proposal which called for a professional planner with no relationship to deanship to be hired from outside the Penn State system for only one year. This recommendation was later withdrawn after considerable discussion over the merits of only a one year position. The general consensus of the committee was that one year was insufficient to familiarize a planner with the Behrend Campus and Penn State system.

Following Daniel's recommendation, John R. Claridge, Assistant Director for Academic Affairs, reminded the committee that consideration must be given to new faculty positions for the 1972-1973 academic year. Roger L. Sweeting, Assistant Professor of Physical Education, proposed that all written proposals for new faculty positions would be accepted and reviewed by the committee. All proposals should be turned in prior to the November 22 meeting to Dr. Richard A. Mester, chairman of the committee.

Opening the meeting, a recommendation was also passed to institute a Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program at Behrend. The program would

be optional to all male students during their freshman and sophomore years. Two-year ROTC programs are already instituted at the Altoona, Delaware, Ogontz and Schuylkill campuses, and a four-year program is optional at the University Park campus.

Student representatives attending the meeting for the first time this year (appointments were finalized) were given full voting power on the committee. The students were Ray Geiger, Charles Roberts and Linda Stalford. The power was granted after the students assured the committee that they would keep a direct relationship with the Student Government Association (SGA) and also follow up in obtaining a formal proposal from SGA establishing that direct relationship.

Written proposals for new faculty positions (1972-73 academic year) will be accepted and reviewed by the Academic Planning Committee on Tuesday, November 23, during the common hour.

Proposals should be given to Dr. Richard A. Mester, chairman of the Academic Planning Committee, prior to the November 23 meetings. Proposals will be reviewed by the committee and submitted to the Faculty Senate.

Anyone may submit proposals based on needs and or response of the interest group. Faculty members should plan to meet with their respective college to draw up proposals.

Human Sexuality Course Offered

"Topics in Human Sexuality" will be offered during the winter term for any interested student. This course will take place on Monday evenings at 7 beginning January 17. Registration will be held on December 1, 2 and 3 in the Otto Behrend and Reed Union Buildings during 3 and 4 periods. The cost, which covers books and speakers, will be \$5.

This evening series of lectures will focus on attitudes towards sex, including contraception, abortion and venereal diseases. The course will be offered on a non-credit basis. Last year's course was successful with about 75 students participating.

At the present time Mr. Hohwald, chairman of the speakers sub-committee, is now looking for some potential speakers, and decisions are being made about certain topics and reference

books. Volunteers for discussion group leaders are being trained; anyone interested in participating in these discussion groups should contact Miss Cathy Sargent for further information.

Sexuality finds expression throughout the life span, for learning — or mislearning — about one's sexuality occurs during every life stage. Education at the college level has both a responsibility and an obligation to provide students with an increasing body of knowledge about themselves and about other human beings and their relationships. One significant result of this course is an accurate understanding of sex and sexuality and its constructive expression in society. One highly effective means of achieving this goal is a non-credit lecture-discussion course.



All U Day

A concert with John Mayall rounded off a day of football, banquets, and dances this past weekend, as an estimated 3,000 Commonwealth Campus students attended this year's All U Day activities.