

Editorial Opinion

Specifics Demanded: Task Force Lacking

The formation of the Academic Planning Task Force for the Behrend Campus is in all probability the best thing to happen to it since Behrend's founding. It has shown for the first time that University Park seriously considers Behrend Campus to be an important and viable institution. This seems apparent from the fact that University Park has devoted the time and efforts of several of its important administrators and faculty members to the project. However, after the open meeting held last Tuesday to present what has been accomplished up until then, it seems that some doubt has been cast as to the effectiveness and organization of the Task Force.

Several points were criticized by Behrend faculty and students as to what was presented by the Task Force.

Faculty and students alike expressed disapproval at the lack of specific academic programs that are being considered by the Task Force for Behrend's future. Faculty especially are now wondering what programs and courses will be emphasized and which ones will receive less attention.

Another point that was lacking was any ideas concerning changes in the administration for the Behrend of the future. Nor, was any definite note given on the degree of autonomy that Behrend will receive from University Park.

Another major point of discontent was the absence of any specific facts and figures concerning augmented faculty and physical plant for Behrend. Also missing was an idea of where the funds will come from to finance all the planning that is being done at the moment.

It is felt by many that more specifics are necessary from the Task Force. Vague hypotheses will not do, they must be able to back up their plans with definite facts and figures; many more than were presented at the meeting. A uniform opinion must be given by all members of the Task Force instead of dividing into small groups that makes it impossible to find out where anyone stands on an issue. Questions must be answered by specifics instead of generalities. And specific consideration must be given to the question of where the funding will come from to make this plan operable. Definite financial sources must be found or this academic plan will be just another pipe dream.

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or delete portions of all letters for publication purposes.

All letters must be signed, but names will be withheld upon request. Term standing, major, and hometown must be included.

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Letters to the Editor

as to the amount of hours assigned.

Immediate action should be taken on this proposal.

Signed,
Concerned Cafeteria
Employees

"He says he can't if three other students down the hall continue 'to engage in games and unreasonable shouting' outside his room."

"Mellon yesterday asked Common Pleas Court for an injunction ordering the three students to quiet down and for Residence Director Ronald Swain to enforce the new atmosphere."

"The law student, who prepared his own case, charged in his petition that the other students and Swain were in violation of the university's housing contract."

"Mellon, who noted that final exams are coming, up, said he had already suffered from a loss of sleep, nervousness and 'much inconvenience.'"

"Without the 'right to the quiet enjoyment' of his room he would suffer 'extreme and irreparable harm', he asserted.

Concerned student

I would initially like to commend you for your display of concern for the students of this campus as revealed in the April 20 edition of this paper. You took the time and made the space to include a most interesting and well-intended editorial opinion. I refer of course to your request for "an investigation upon (the) effectiveness of the Joint Resident Council."

I feel that it is my responsibility as a JRC member and the recently elected Chairman (although erroneously labeled President in your editorial) to offer my opinion concerning your editorial which questions the effectiveness of the JRC.

First of all the sole evidence supporting your allegations that the JRC "does not generate the student interest it so duly professes" is the time elapse between Student Affairs' response to the JRC extended visitation proposal and the announcement to the students. You are of course accurate that this month hold-up is the burden of the JRC but you are either ignorant of certain variables which justify this delay or are biasedly neglecting to mention them. One such obvious justification was Spring Break which I'm sure you might recall. Another important variable was student concern and thus JRC preoccupation with the three Behrend students who allegedly illegally entered Dobbins Hall. Thirdly and most decisively was the untimely resignation of 4 floor representatives, 3 JRC members and the former Chairman of the JRC, who ironically was the said recipient of that Student Affairs response which initiated your critical editorial. Obviously with the unexpected and untimely resigning of approximately 25 per cent of the JRC and its Chairman, elections realistically took precedence over all else. As soon as the JRC became a complete and unified body which is of ultimate importance to any representative group the appropriate actions were taken to inform all concerned as to the Student Affairs decision.

It is unfortunate that a short delay occurred but there can be no doubt that the reorganization and solidarity of the JRC was unavoidable and of supreme importance if it is to function in the best interest of the students of Behrend Campus.

Thank you
Arthur Sprague
6th Term-Pre Law
Phoenixville, Pa.

April 24, 1972

To whom it may concern:

We are submitting a complaint to cafeteria management concerning the ratio of available work hours to number of workers hired.

We feel that the number of workers hired previous to this term was sufficient to do the job. Furthermore, many of the students working have no additional outside income and depend completely upon their cafeteria jobs to provide financial aid to further their education.

We also feel that seniority should be taken into consideration

I would like to submit this clipping which was taken from the Pittsburgh Press as a letter to the editor to make students more aware of the injustice and deprivation of rights that they are doing to their fellow students:

"Law Student Sues for Peace".

"College hijinks have no place in the life of Duquesne University law student Marvin R. Mellon."

"He has gone to court to force his dormitory neighbors to cut out the noise."

"Mellon, 25, says he just wants to study in peace and quiet."

Pre-Registration For Behrend and U.P.

Pre-registration forms for summer term have been mailed out to all 2-MET students for the purpose of their scheduling IE 8 12 during the summer term at University Park. Students from Behrend Campus will be in Group 1; their classes will meet between July 3 and July 21. First meeting time for all Behrend Freshmen in the 2-MET program will be at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 2, 1972 Room 115, Electrical Engineering Building West. These pre-

registration forms are to be returned to Mr. Goetz no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 1972.

Pre-registration for the Fall term at University Park will take place at Behrend immediately following the fifth week of the Spring term. Presently, we are awaiting receipt of the Fall 1972 time-tables from University Park and as soon as received, a more definite time for pre-registration will be announced.

Humphrey Wins Penna. Primary

With more than 90 per cent of the votes counted, Humphrey is the apparent winner of the Pennsylvania Democratic Presidential primary. Humphrey also ran well in Erie County receiving 229 more votes than the second place Muskie. In the 24th Democratic Congressional District race, Heinbold defeated Vigorito by 462 votes. The results for the other races are:

Democratic Presidential race for Erie County	
Humphrey	8838 votes
Muskie	8609 votes
McGovern	7106 votes
Wallace	6072 votes
Jackson	560 votes

United States Democratic Congressional race (24th Dist.)	
Heinbold	2808 votes
Vigorito	2346 votes
Jansit	1188 votes
Republican	
Lavenhagen	12187 votes

Democratic 1st Assembly	
Polaski	2532 votes
Halupeczynski	936 votes
Republican	
Fish	2458 votes

Democratic 2nd Assembly	
Mertens	1758 votes
Capabianca	1741 votes
Bellomini	2737 votes

Democratic 4th Assembly	
Blasco	2438 votes
Republican	
Hopkins	3229 votes

Democratic 5th Assembly	
Hayes	2156 votes
Livingston	1194 votes

Auditor General Democratic	
Casey	21614 votes
Republican	
McCorkel	11442 votes

Democratic State Senate 49th District	
Orlando	13960 votes
Sesler	12658 votes

Events Of The Week

- Friday, April 28
Coffee House: local talent-RUB or Picnic Grove-9 p.m.
- Saturday, April 29
Clean Up Erie Day.
Lecture: Sister Elizabeth McAlister-Oil City (405 W. 1st Street)-8:30 p.m.
- Sunday, April 30
Movie: "Brewster McCloud"-RUB-7&9 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 2
Concert-Lecture: Chris Swanson on "Moog Synthesizers"-Erie Hall-8 p.m.
- Thursday, May 4
Veterans Club Meeting-Behrend 123-Common Hour.

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