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Mr. Michael Small, addresses the Intra-University Council concerning the Faculty Senate Constitution. This committee met to discuss the future of Behrend Campus in its journey toward a full-fledged four-year institution.

## Council Discusses Behrend

The Intra-University Council of the Penn State University met at Behrend, Tuesday, Oct. 24, in the RUB lecture hall, to discuss the future of Behrend Campus. This body of 28 men from the branch campuses and University Park spent the day reviewing the present situation at Behrend and discussing the direction in which Behrend will be heading in its transition to a four year college.

Dr. Edward Masteller, Assistant Professor of Biology, introduced the speakers.

Mr. Kochel, Campus Director, welcomed the group and expressed his hopes for Behrend's future. He stated that Behrend is the most comprehensive of the branch campuses serving three counties.

Mr. Fryer, Division of Counseling, reviewed the present enrollment in each college at Behrend and explained the majors offered.

Two Behrend students, Mike Joyce and Beckie La Plante discussed "Student Life at Behrend" during the meeting. Joyce's main topic of discussion concerned the advantages students have by attending Behrend campus. He believes that a better college atmosphere is developed at a smaller school.

One of the advantages he pointed out was the size of classes. Each class at Behrend is 1/3 the size of classes at University Park. The maximum class size at Behrend is 110 while those at main campus range up to 100.

Although the faculty is somewhat limited due to the fact that Behrend does not offer all courses, the accessibility of instructors is very favorable. It was also noted that over half of Behrend's faculty are recipients of doctorate degrees.

Joyce gave note that Behrend's athletic teams receive little recognition other than the community and student interest. The sports are also somewhat limited creating a stigma to the athletic department.

He feels that Behrend provides a good education for a small campus and encourages the student to want to belong to Behrend, but if Behrend changes to a four year school, student life will greatly expand.

Beckie La Plante spoke about Behrend's extracurricular activities. These activities are available to both the dormitory and commuter students centered around the SUB along with student organizations.

The SUB offers many opportunities to involve the students.

Musical concerts, coffee houses, educational programs, cultural programs and recreational programs are provided.

Miss La Plante noted the three major student organizations, SGA, JRC, and the "Behrend Collegian."

The SGA being the liaison between student and faculty, the JRC coordinating the views of the students to the administration, and the Collegian bringing the major news to the campus students.

The remaining student organizations were mentioned along with the accomplishments of summer encampment.

The committee reviewed the Faculty Senate Constitution. This was followed by group tours of the campus.

In the afternoon, Mr. Woener, librarian, discussed future course implementations at Behrend.

Dr. Iobst concluded the afternoon session with a report on the latest developments of the Task Force

## Audio-Visual Equipment Made Available at Behrend

by Pauline Jackson  
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The Improvement of Teaching Committee, with Dr. Robert Tauber as chairman, is concerned with providing in-service programs and services to members of the Behrend faculty who concern themselves with the Improvement of Teaching.

Services such as the appearance of guest speakers, introduction of teaching methods or the self-evaluation of teaching, are all offered at a teacher's request.

The committee, which includes: Dr. Robert Tauber, Mr. Davis Giersch Instructor of Music, Debbie Horne, Instructor of English; Dr. Donald Leavers, Assistant Professor of Chemistry; Harold Neumann, Assistant Professor of Engineering; Herbert Lauffer, Professor of Physical Education; Louis Balmer, Associate Professor of Chemistry; Robert Berry, Assistant Librarian; Dr. Robert Hostetler, Assistant Professor of Mathematics; and Thomas Doyle, Audio-Visual Supervisor, has recently unveiled the Visuals Preparation and Viewing room which is not only for the use of the teachers, but also for the students as well. Under the supervision of Tom Doyle, a teacher or student can

## JRC Amends Constitution and Proposes Longer Visitation

The Joint Residence Committee held three quick meetings this week in an attempt to get the organization on its feet.

Michael Chiricuzio, acting chairman, opened the second meeting of the academic year Wednesday, Oct. 18, by proposing amendments to the individual Dorm Constitutions as well as the JRC Constitution.

Under the present system, the floor representatives elected by the students select a chairman and a secretary-treasurer from among their ranks to serve on JRC. The amendment to the Dorm Constitution boosts the membership of JRC from six voting members to nine by splitting the old job of secretary-treasurer into two individual positions. These three new members will join Michael Chiricuzio, Bonnie Angevine, Marilyn Trusz, Ed (Burger) Neuberger, Molly Herzing, and Gale Kaye as the nucleus of JRC.

The second item on the agenda concerned amendments to the present JRC Constitution. Under its revised form, the JRC's purpose will be to relate the views of resident students and provide for their well being while sponsoring and organizing various activities. The new constitution also relinquishes any disciplinary power that the JRC previously held.

The revamped constitution also dissolves the position of chairman as head of JRC and replaces it with a co-chairmanship. The duties of this new position will be to preside at meetings and cast tie-breaking votes when necessary.

An amendment was also made to set up a "Carry-Over Committee" in the spring term which would serve to get the JRC rolling faster once school begins again in the fall.

The third meeting opened with

a reading of the amended constitutions which were both unanimously adopted by the JRC. A time schedule was set up for individual dorm meetings on Thursday, Oct. 19, in order to expose the revised documents to the resident students for their deciding vote on them. Afterwards the documents go to SGA for final approval.

The last subject of the meeting concerned an attempt to establish 24 hour visitation rights on weekends. It was decided that individual petitions would be handed out to the students, who would read the printed request for extended visitation and vote either yes, no, or indifferent. If a good majority of the students want the extended visitation rights, the JRC would then take the petitions along with the record of violations in the dorms this year to the Dean of Student Affairs. With strong, solid student support and a low violation record, the JRC would be able to present a tight case and win the three weekend trial period they are asking for; however, without complete student support, JRC will be virtually impotent.

After the special dorm meetings Thursday, where both the JRC and the Dorm Constitutions were ratified by the students, the JRC held another short meeting. Pleased with student response to the amendments and optimistic about the future of JRC and the year, the only order of business was to reproduce the revised documents and establish Tuesday, Oct. 24, as the date for the next meeting and the signing of the constitutions.

## SGA Meets With Dean Lane

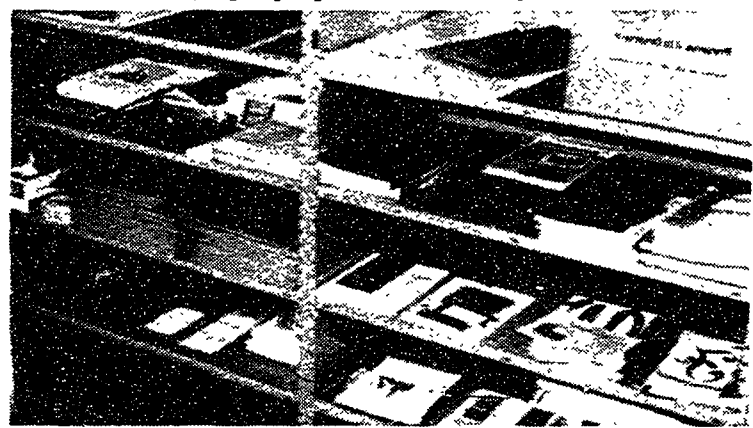
SGA held its weekly meeting which was short but covered varied items. The Constitutional Review committee reported that the following organizations have turned in a constitution: SGA, SUB, JRC, the Black Student Union, ICARUS, and the COLLEGIAN. To be eligible for allocations of money, all student organizations must file a constitution with SGA. However, the responsibility for doing that is entirely upon the individual organization, not SGA.

The Black Student Union asked for \$196.00 to cover the cost of various planned events, the first to be a dance held in Erie so as to draw a larger crowd. Also, the Union wishes to sponsor a visit from State College by the Black Theatrical Company of Penn State. Finally, they need funds to send representatives to the dinner

November 5 to be addressed by Shirley Chisholm.

Dean Lane spoke to the members assembled. He mentioned the possibility of having leadership seminars for the SGA members as a way to better educate them in their role as student leaders. "The result being that SGA members should be able to get people to do the jobs assigned them," commented Lane.

Concerning the problem of unauthorized use of the SGA darkroom, it was noted that the locks have been changed and new keys issued to the proper people.



## New Audio Visual Room

The new audio-visual room, located in Behrend 119 a video tape system, camera slide projectors, film strip projectors, and cassette recorders. With the exception of a few working materials, the use of all machines is free of charge.

and overhead projectors are also available to students and teachers.

It may benefit the students to know that with the exception of a few working materials (poster paper, overhead projector transparencies) the use of these machines is free of charge. So with a little imagination and time, it may be possible for a student to earn some extra credit by presenting prepared material on an overhead projector, movie projector or recorder. And the same applies to the teachers.

The use of these machines makes a much more interesting class session.

The only cost paid is that of the Visuals Preparation and Viewing Room; if this service is not put to good use, it cannot exist. And its purpose is for the benefit of Behrend's students and teachers.

The Visuals Preparation and Viewing Room will have the hours of: Tuesdays and Thursdays during the common hour at which time the room will be manned by Tom Doyle or unofficially it can be used upon request in room 119.

With the work of Dr. Tauber and the Improvement of Teaching Committee, this valuable service is being rendered and will continue only if it is utilized.

SUB 8 Autumn Weekend

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Rally... See Page 4