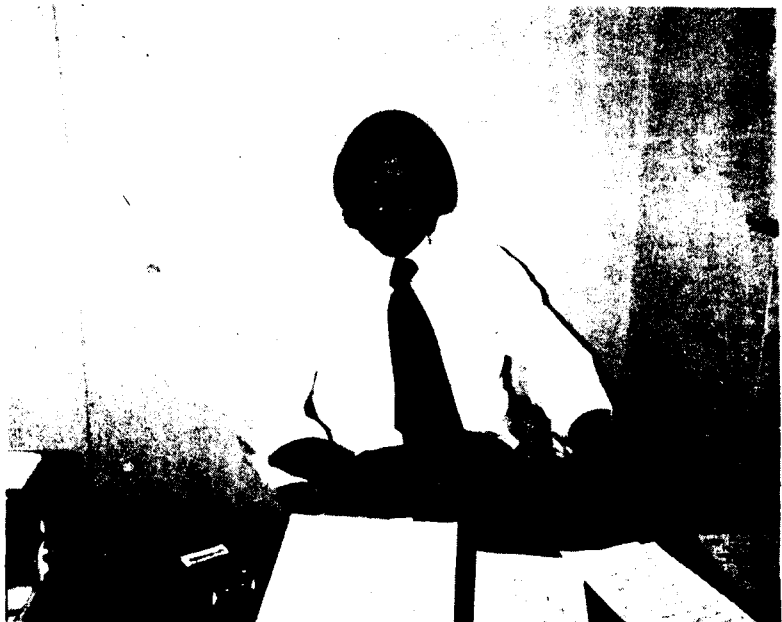


WIMMER ON THE PROVOST



President Wimmer takes a much needed break.

Ed. Note: The CAPITOLIST recently spoke to SGA President Terry Wimmer about the selection of the provost for Capitol Campus. Last year, as you may know, University President Oswald set up much of the process with intentions to do most of the work over the summer. During the summer, however, Oswald suffered a heart attack and was unable to work. This, of course, slowed the selection process a bit, but now, he is back on the job.

We were interested in learning just what had been accomplished over the summer, at what point in the process we now find ourselves, and how effectively the system seemed to be working. The following is the context of our interview.

Terry, would you re-explain the selection process for those of us who may have lost it over the summer.

Certainly. A search committee made up of faculty members from University Park and Capitol Campus was formed to screen the applications. In addition, a student committee was formed to screen the applicants and submit recommendations to the search committee. The search committee then, based on its findings and the student recommendations, was to submit a list of nominees to Oswald. He was to extend invitations for further consideration to the people on this list. Briefly, that is phase one of the selection process.

What is the current status of this phase?

Right now, phase one is almost complete. The search committee submitted its list to Oswald in late July, but Oswald's heart attack interrupted any more work on the selection until recently. Up until a few days ago, only one man on the list had been contacted, and he turned it down.

How effective is this process? In other words, could Oswald choose a provost without consulting the list?

One of the things you have to remember is that I think the search committee chaired by Dr. Lee had a good idea of the type of guy that Oswald would want. And I think this went into their screening operation.

How about the students? How much of a part in it did they really have?

I think that the part the student played was for the most part a token role. I think the process is basically a farce. Compared with the process used in other schools, for example, Boston University in an article in LIFE magazine—they had students in it all the way—the role the students played here is a token. Last year I said this would happen, and it's happening.

Well, didn't you have something to do with setting this up?

We were told that we could set up a committee—we didn't have to—but what the hell else could we do? I appointed students who I thought had a good idea of this school's needs and problems, and who were competent enough to compare these resumes. I think they've done a fairly good job, but it's going all for naught.

Why?

Because the final selection process is still going to be Oswald's. You've heard me bitch about it before, and I'm still opposing to it. I'm going to fight it down to the end.

How can you fight something like that, especially when the post may be filled soon.

One thing we can do—and it may be another token move—is that the Senate may pass a resolution condemning the whole selection process. And if we do that, I intend to give this to Oswald personally.

OK then, who did set it up?

Oswald, for the most part. He set up the process, but the criteria were set up by the search committee with some assistance from Oswald's office. So Oswald knew how the process would work and gave the committee some criteria as well. Now, Lee Levan sent a letter to Oswald last year stating his concern that the students were being neglected, but that he felt that Oswald was doing the right thing. If you'll remember, I replied to that letter in the CAPITOLIST stating that Levan wasn't looking to protect the students.

Backing up a bit. What is going to be the result of a resolution condemning the process?

I don't know. Oswald is a strange type of guy. He seems very receptive to student involvement in University affairs and, in fact, has made some moves in this direction. But in this matter, I feel he has completely ignored the students.

So, in phase one the students screened the applications but didn't have much to say about who was sent to Oswald. Right? How about phase two? What is that to be like?

Right. Now in phase two, the candidates in the job, will have an opportunity to visit the campus, and the students will be able to sit down with them and talk about their experience in Student and Academic affairs. The faculty Senate and administrative staffs are to do the same. But there has been no process set up for our recommendations as yet. We don't know whether we are to submit our recommendations to Oswald or to the search committee. And we don't know for sure what role the search committee is to play in phase two. It's slowly becoming a one man show, and I'm violently opposed to that. I don't think any one man—President or Trustee or whoever—has the right to make the choice alone or without the students consent. And now, the students do not have a final vote.

None at all?

All we've been told about so far in phase two is that Oswald will make the final decision. It's rather hard to comment on phase two when no guidelines have been set up yet. I have some ideas on it, but I'm sure they're quite different from Oswald's.

Would you sum up for us, Terry?

Sure. By the time this is printed, we will have talked with one candidate. But like I said, before, we still don't know what will happen after that. And unless the final recommendation is submitted to Oswald from a committee made up of students and all facets of this campus, the whole thing can be no more than a failure. We're not alone in this. Some other students and faculty members have expressed their individual disgust of this process to the SGA. We don't know yet how it will be done in the final stages, other than that Oswald will make the final decision. I hope we can do better than that.

We need people who are interested in all areas of Campus Life and who are willing to tell others about it.
The CAPITOLIST

Letters to the Editor

Dear Juniors:

The Sigma Delta Chi sorority wishes to extend a very warm welcome to you upon your arrival at Capitol Campus. We feel that Capitol Campus epitomizes the basic principles of the Sigma Delta Chi sorority in that it is a place where there is a common bond of friendship and working together in harmony, that cannot be found on many campuses of this sort. We therefore extend the hand of friendship and sincerely hope that we can all work together in harmony, first as a member of the Capitol Campus Community, and second (we sincerely hope) as a member of the Sigma Delta Chi sorority.

The Sigma Delta Chi sorority is open to ALL girls of Capitol Campus regardless of race, religion or national origin. Our sorority is a service and social organization. By SERVICE we mean that we perform such charitable functions as: Blood Bank donations, working with the local schools, churches, synagogues, etc. By SOCIAL we mean that we try to establish a bond of friendship not only among the members of Capitol Campus, but with other campuses within the area by having fund raising social events that will give cause for our students from other campuses.

During Orientation Week, information will be available to you in the Administration

Building for the purpose of joining our sorority. WE ASK ONLY ONE THING.... PLEASE DO NOT APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THIS SORORITY IF YOU DO NOT FEEL THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO DEVOTE A PORTION OF YOUR TIME AND EFFORTS. IT WOULD BE UNFAIR TO YOURSELF AS WELL AS TO THE SORORITY.

Nevertheless, whether you join the sorority or not, we again say "welcome", and if at ANY time the sorority can be of assistance to you in ANY matter, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE to contact me or one of the members of the sorority.

Warmest regards,
Miss Sandy Styers, President
Sigma Delta Chi Sorority
The Capitol Campus

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The CAPITOLIST — '71-'72

Lee Nell

Last year, if you remember, the CAPITOLIST made some vast improvement. We became the first weekly paper on this campus. And in doing that, we expanded our coverage of events and issues here at Capitol Campus. In addition, the CAPITOLIST went to a faster and cheaper process—offset.

Printing a four page paper every week, however, was no small task. Our limited staff was overworked to the point of exhaustion. And the Editor, Ro Scanlon, went from a bundle of nervous wreckage to nearly normal the day after the last issue was printed. But such is the life of a journalist.

In keeping with the last year's tradition of improvement, the CAPITOLIST—'71-'72 will continue to expand coverage of news, events and issues both on campus and off. You have probably noticed that we have something new in the paper this year—ads. These are made necessary to pay for the printing costs since the SGA budget was less than expected. But these ads can also provide a service to our readers.

First, these ads are sold to people who are willing to support the campus and the newspaper. I have been pleasantly surprised at the response I've gotten in the Middletown area. These people are interested in what happens on campus and really want you to make the best of your stay here.

Second, OK so they hope to make a profit on your money. But most of our advertisers have goods and services which you'll be needing while you are here. The ads will tell you where you can buy products and, sometimes, the prices. We will even have discount coupons from time to time—watch for them.

Third, and this is most

important to the paper, the ads will enable the CAPITOLIST to expand its coverage. We need more pages. And the ads are going to pay for these pages. I make no apologies for advertising; none are necessary. The CAPITOLIST is happy to play any part in the betterment of campus-community relations. But you can help, too. Buy from our advertisers when you buy. Look for the sales—you'll be doing yourselves a favor. And you'll be aiding the CAPITOLIST.

We need your help other ways, too. In order to expand, we need people. We need juniors who are interested in learning more about this campus, and we need seniors who know a bit about it now. But we need anyone who is interested in keeping up with events here and having something to say about the events. Getting involved on the campus is not hard at all. Join us. Isn't that easy?

The CAPITOLIST this year is going to be bigger. Hopefully, it will be better as well. There are going to be a lot of things happening on campus this year, and we want to report on all of them. We hope to have an arts page; sports will be expanding; movies and record reviews are planned. You can do any of these things. Or bring new ideas to us. If we have the staff, we can go to 10 pages in no time. And as you can see, there are plenty of openings.

One other thing. We are subscribing to the Intercollegiate Press this year. This is like the AP wire service for college newspapers and should bring some interesting news.

So, there it is. The CAPITOLIST is not the only way to get into this campus, but it is one of the best ways. Bring your ideas to us. All we need is a little of your time. But I think it will be well worth it. It is for me, and for the campus. Have a good year.

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