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This Week In The SGA

by Robert W. Bonaker
Monday's Student Government Senate meeting began immediately with the committee reports as there was much to be accomplished during the evening. On the agenda were budget approvals for campus organizations and constitutional revisions.

Treasurer Tom Dixon submitted the proposed budget for the SGA for 1972-73, as proposed by the Finance Committee. After minimal debate, the budget was approved by the Senate. There were questions about the amounts allocated to the Black Student Union, Delta Tau Kappa, the XGT's, and the Young Democrats, but when it came time to vote the motion to accept the budget passed by 8 for, none against, 4 abstentions.

Dixon stressed that the total funding provided for expenses amounted to a little over \$13,000, while budget requests from all the organizations totaled over \$32,000. Consequently, all organizations received severe cuts in the amount they asked for. The SGA will generate more funds during the course of the year by taking 50% of the profits from campus pinball machines. Also, Dixon said, the state legislature may approve additional funding bills for Pennsylvania colleges, providing for more money. One item eliminated from club requests was trips. Dixon emphasizes that no additional money will be allocated for organizational travel unless they come to request it before the Senate. Also, no club received more than \$200 to bring in any number of speakers during the year.

The Election Committee, chaired by Senator Ron Edwards (Sr.-Social Science) reported that SGA Election Day was scheduled for Tuesday, October 17th. The polls will be located in the Gallery Lounge and voting will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On the ballot will be junior senate seats from each of six academic programs plus at large seats for every 200 enrolled juniors. Constitutional revisions

Voting Guide

An up to date listing of all undergraduates shall be used as a check list at the polls.

I.D. cards must be presented in order to be permitted to vote. Absentee ballots are due in by the day of election.

No candidate is allowed in the polling area more than once.

Polling Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Vote for two candidates. One of the candidates must be within your particular curriculum. The other may be selected from among the remaining ones.

Also on the ballot will be constitutional revisions and a straw vote on the presidential election between President Nixon and Senator McGovern.

and a straw vote on the McGovern-Nixon presidential election will also be included.

Petitions are now available in the SGA Office and must be returned by October 10. The committee will also stage senatorial candidate forums on October 12 and 16. The sessions will enable the student body to familiarize themselves with the candidates. They will be on October 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the Student Center and October 16 at 12 noon, tentatively scheduled for the Auditorium.

President Mike Dini had a few announcements before the business of constitutional revisions. Michael Cernusca, senior senator from the Math-Science program notified Dini that he was no longer able to fulfill the duties as senator. Dini will appoint a senior in his place in the near future. Mickey Wolfson and Rita Girondi were appointed special assistants to the SGA, whose duties will center in advisory and administrative capacities. They will be non-voting members, however.

The Constitutional Revision Committee then submitted its report. The committee was chaired by SGA Vice-President Max Brady and included Student Court Chief-Justice Harry Franzreb and senators Gene Bryan and Ron Edwards. As it turns out, the Constitution was nearly rewritten, so the Senate moved that the present Constitution be suspended and only be used as a temporary document until the October 17 election. Next week's CAPITOLIST will feature an article highlighting the revisions.

Don Snyder, student representative on the Academic Standards Committee, which is a faculty organization committee, reported on its recent meeting. The committee recommended that Capitol Campus adopt a new academic calendar. Currently, the entire University is planning to make a change in the calendar. The committee would like to see Capitol on a semester basis, which is currently the system of most major colleges. If adopted, the 1973 academic term would begin in late August, with the fall semester ending before Christmas. After the holiday, possibly a two to three week compact course may follow. This is to be done to fulfill University regulations on credit-hours and faculty teaching time. In mid-January, the next semester would begin, ending then in mid-May. Each program, under the committee proposal, would formulate its own summer schedule.

The report must first be approved by Faculty Council and then sent to University President John Oswald before it is adopted. The proposal will be voted upon this week.

The Senate adjourned after a lengthy two hour, 45 minute session. The SGA will meet again on Monday, October 9, at 6:30 p.m.

LaGrone Receives

Administrative Promotion



Dr. Oliver LaGrone, newly appointed special assistant to the Vice President of Undergraduate Studies at P.S.U.

Oliver LaGrone, widely acclaimed black poet, sculptor and educator, has been appointed special assistant to the vice president for undergraduate studies at Penn State.

Mr. LaGrone, who has been lecturer in art education and Afro-American history at Capitol Campus for the past two years, assumed his new duties September 1.

In the new position, explains Dr. Robert E. Dunham, vice president for undergraduate students, Mr. LaGrone will visit the various campuses of the University as an artist-in-residence and lecturer in black studies.

"The University," Dr. Dunham said, "is especially pleased to have a man of Mr. LaGrone's background and experience to enhance the undergraduate education of our students in black arts and humanities."

A native of McAlester, Okla., Mr. LaGrone was graduated from the University of New Mexico. With assistance from columnist Ernie Pyle and the late journalist's syndicated column, he became the first Negro to be accepted for study at the Cranbrook Art Academy in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

He has done graduate work in art and special education at Wayne State University and for 11 years taught arts and crafts in special education in the Detroit, Mich., Public Schools. Prior to joining the Capitol Campus

Junior Senatorial

Candidate

Instructions

Election Date: October 17.

No electioneering in the first floor west wing hallway or polling area, which will be the Gallery Lounge.

Forum Dates: October 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the Student Center; October 16 at 12:30 in the Auditorium.

Petitions: Twenty-five signatures per petition; Candidates qualifications are to be written on back; Petitions are to be in by October 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Signs: All signs must be removed twenty-four hours after the polls close; Fifteen signs per candidate will be permitted in the admin. building; Unlimited signs elsewhere on campus; No signs allowed in the first floor west wing between the stairway and the Dean's office.

No candidates are permitted to run in slates.

All candidates will meet with the screening committee on October 10 at 7:00 p.m. (place to be announced).

faculty, he taught Afro-American history at Marygrove College in Detroit.

Mr. LaGrone has presented one-man sculpture shows and lectured on Afro-American history and art before cultural groups and at public schools and universities in Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, New York and Pennsylvania. He is a frequent lecturer-consultant for the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History and for the Detroit Branch of the Afro-American Museum.

His first book, "Footfalls", was published in 1949 and his poetry has appeared in several anthologies. His poem, "The Limited", was awarded first prize in the 1966 contest of the Michigan Poetry Society.

In 1968, Mr. LaGrone made a summer trip to five West African nations and currently he is working on a book on African art. Numerous articles, reviews and poems have been published in various publications, including the "Negro Digest", and "The New York Times Sunday Book Review", and "Saturday Review".

Since coming to Pennsylvania, he has presented one-man shows at the Capitol Campus Black Arts Cultural Center, the Harrisburg Jewish Community Center and the William Penn Memorial Museum, Harrisburg. An exhibit of his work was displayed in Pattee Library last spring as part of the University's Black Arts Festival.

Toni Jennings

On Study Leave

Antoinette G. Jennings, financial aid counselor at Capitol Campus, has been granted a graduate study leave until June 30, 1973. She will work toward her master's degree in counselor education at the University of Pittsburgh.

A native of Pittsburgh and a 1968 graduate of the Allegheny Community College, Miss Jennings graduated from Capitol Campus with a Bachelor of Social Science Degree in June, 1970. She was the first student to be awarded an Allegheny Community College scholarship and studied at Capitol with a scholarship from The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

Active in black student affairs while at Capitol Campus, Miss Jennings notes that the Black Student Union has grown in membership and activities during her stay at the Middletown campus. Although her original attraction to Capitol stemmed

from its acceptance of all her Allegheny credits, she feels that the school should have a particular attraction for most blacks.

"Penn State's Capitol Campus is an upper division school and graduate center. Because of this, the average black student entering his junior year from a community college would find social and academic adjustment easier than if enrolling in a traditional four-year institution where their peers already had developed a more sophisticated social attitude," Miss Jennings explained.

"Here at Capitol, every junior finds himself in the same boat, socially and academically. Additionally, they benefit from a low student-faculty ratio."

Miss Jennings is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Jennings, North Side, Pittsburgh.

Miss Patricia L. Young has been appointed Financial Aid Counselor to replace Miss Jennings.