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Faculty to decide on Program Planning Committee

by R. W. Bonaker

Last Thursday, the faculty met in the auditorium to debate a proposal to establish a Special Program Planning Committee under the guidelines of Capitol's Faculty Council.

The measure was drafted by Dr. Roger B. Saylor. At its meeting of January 23, the Council approved the measure and decided to present it to the entire faculty. Council representatives include Dr. Thomas J. Knight, Chairman, Dr. Kenneth Masters, Dr. Robert Bresler, Dr. Herbert Eisenstein, Dr. Wayne Lee, Dr. Jacob Susskind, Dr. Robert Lesniak, Mike Dini, and Mark Israel. Saylor serves as Parliamentarian.

The following is a detailed explanation of the SPPC, as stated by Knight:

The SPPC represents the Council's response to requests from both the Provost and the members of the Academic Affairs Committee.

The Provost has on several occasions asked the Faculty to become involved in deciding the priority-ranking among course and program proposals and the feasibility of offering such courses and programs.

Likewise, the Academic Affairs Committee has often reminded the Council that its review functions left

hiatuses, for example, on the question of how courses and programs relate to each other in terms of cost, use of faculty, space considerations, etc. In addition, the Council has been concerned about the initiation of programs which have no ready-made constituency within the Divisions, as might be the case for certain interdisciplinary offerings.

The Council has decided to recommend the following with respect to the SPPC (Rule I,6 on Page 7 of the Constitution):

1. The SPPC shall be a special committee of the Faculty Organization.

2. The SPPC shall consist of two members from each Division and one student appointed by the Faculty Council Chairman in consultation with the Council.

3. The SPPC shall be charged as follows:

"The Special Program Planning Committee shall consider all matters which would result in significant changes in the uses of the instructional resources of Capitol Campus. These resources are to include both physical and human resources. The changes to be considered shall include

significant:

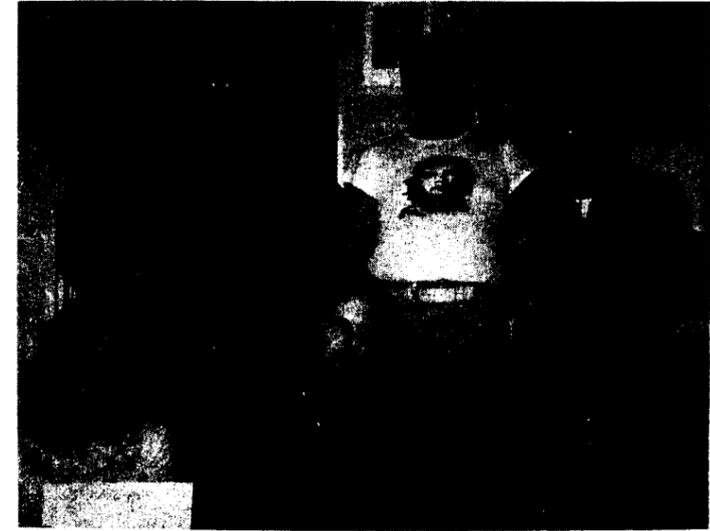
1. Additions of new programs.
2. Expansions of current programs.
3. Alterations in emphases in current programs.
4. Reductions in current programs.
5. Deletions of current programs.

It is anticipated that the Committee will not be seriously concerned with minor changes but rather with priority and budgetary matters. Necessary data should be made available to the Committee.

The Committee shall try to establish a consensus of the Faculty regarding each proposed significant change. When this is not possible, it shall consider the various view-points and try to present them in concise form for general Faculty consideration."

The Division Heads have expressed some concern about these proposed procedures. In particular, they feel the quasi-executive implications of priority-ranking and comparative costing inherent in the SPPC charge are redundant, since the

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Pictured are students from Harrisburg Independent Academy and their student teachers on a recent visit to the campus radio station WZAP. The academy is located at Harrisburg's Sixth Street YMCA. Sitting: Stefanie and Lance Hardcastle. Standing (From Left) Neil, Gary, Sue, Vance and Marc Cohen.

Student Court Decides 'Floating Sticker' Case

by R.W. Bonaker

On January 31, the Student Standards Board (Student Court) handled another traffic case. Dean of Student Affairs John Grimm referred the case of Michael Bowman to the Court.

Bowman received a ticket from Security Officer James Paul approximately a week before the Court reviewed his case. Bowman was charged with failing to have a parking sticker on his motor vehicle. As it turns out, he had registered his vehicle with the Business Office, in a "floating sticker" situation (where more than one car is utilized on campus by one student), but had failed to display the sticker on the windshield of his vehicle.

Bowman appealed the case to Dean Grimm, stating he did possess a sticker, and had merely forgotten to display it. Grimm changed the violation to "failure to display the sticker" and upheld the violation but suspended the one dollar fine. In effect, according to Grimm, Bowman only received a "warning". However, his second such violation would constitute a relatively more severe three dollar fine, based on the original violation even though the payment of the fine was suspended.

Bowman was not satisfied with Grimm's decision, consequently Grimm referred it to the Student Court. During the Court hearing, Bowman maintained that Mr. Paul knew he had a "floating sticker" for the vehicle in question. He thought Mr. Paul should have recognized the vehicle as Bowman's because of its distinct appearance.

The Court, by a 3 - 2 vote, upheld Dean Grimm's decision. Following is the majority opinion of the Court.

Majority Opinion

It was my decision that the sentence be sustained. It is the responsibility of each student to make sure that his/her sticker be on the vehicle (whether it be a floating sticker or a permanent sticker) at all times so the officer knows that the vehicle is registered.

I feel it is not the responsibility of the officers to have knowledge of vehicles that

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SGA Positions

Marilyn Levin, chairman of the Election / Screening Committee of the Student Government Association, has announced her committee will be screening applicants to fill a variety of SGA positions.

Vacancies include: a junior justice on the Student Standards Board (Student Court); a junior at-large SGA Senator seat; and open positions on several Faculty Organizations committees.

Interested applicants may sign up in the SGA Office, W-104, from now until 5:00 p.m., Thursday, February 18. Screening will be held that same night at 7:00 p.m. in the office.

Sha-Na-Na Concert

The University Concert Committee will hold a concert at University Park on Sunday, March 6, featuring SHA-NA-NA.

The concert begins at 8 PM and the price of tickets is \$3.00. All students interested in attending the concert, contact Don Snyder (944-1972) no later than Tuesday, Feb. 13. The number of tickets is limited.

This Week In The S.G.A.

by R.W. Bonaker

The Student Government Association staged another of its "meaningful" meetings this past Monday night.

Asst. Dean of Student Affairs, Jerry South, discussed some of the issues he believed SGA should consider. He called for intensive SGA involvement in the major social activities scheduled for the next two terms: Nostalgia Week, the arts Festival as conducted by the Black Student Union (during the first week of April) and the spring music festival.

He stressed the SGA should be deeply concerned with student-to-student advising; refining the program and making it a continuous operation. He stated his Student Activities Office has tentatively scheduled two "leadership conferences" at Stone Valley (Located near University Park), the mid-July seminar centering on leadership techniques and group efforts and the late August seminar concerning the brass tack issues of organizational budgets and activity planning. Mr. South also discussed the relative importance of teacher evaluations; that they

must be made available for widespread student use during pre-registration.

Mr. South announced he has established a committee of students, lead by Rita Girondi, which is in the beginning stages of rewriting the Student Handbook. He also announced Ms. Nancy Colnes, Student Activities Coordinator will be leaving the campus at the end of the current academic year. South is currently in the process of establishing a search committee to fill Ms. Colnes' job, and expressed a desire for student input.

President Mike Dini announced Cathy Brewington, a junior senator at-large, had resigned from the Senate. Apparently, Senator Brewington resigned due to academic conflicts. Her post would be filled within two weeks, according to Dini.

Treasurer Tom Dixon presented a statement of the monies maintained in the SGA budget. Approximately \$1,100 is available in a section reserved for general allocations to campus organizations, over and above original budget grants. That fund is continuously supplemented

from campus pinball machines and money collected from parking violations. About \$1,058 exists in the SGA Operations account; money for printing and office supplies.

Don Snyder, Chairman of the Social Affairs Committee reported nearly \$1,200 will be spent for the upcoming Nostalgia Week activities. Prior to any payments for Nostalgia Week, the committee had \$2,300 in its budget. Snyder also announced the appointment of Mike Leasher as Coordinator for the Spring Weekend "Music-Arts Festival."

The Chairman of the ad-hoc committee on Academic / Campus Concerns, Bill Matthews (junior senator at - large) submitted two proposals to the SGA. The first called for an adoption of a decision passed by the Business Program "giving a liberal definition of extenuating circumstances" in drop-add procedures. The second proposal concerned the establishment of an "Appeals Board" consisting of three students, three faculty and one administrator. Matthews stated no such specific

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