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written memos that show "that's how it has always been done," Major said.

Another motion carried in SGA that allows the Finance Committee to freeze club funds if Student Court does not receive a copy of club constitutions.

Student Activities should have copies of most club constitutions, but Student Court needs to update their files.

"Currently there are no records of organization constitutions in Student Court's file system," said John White, Chief Justice of Student Court.

"If someone would bring a question of unconstitutionality to the court, we need to have a source to look at for verification," White said.

"It's not going to be a burden for clubs because they all have constitutions that they are currently chartered under," Hilt said. "It's just a matter of turning it into Student Court."

White added that if clubs have to turn in a constitution, the possibility exists that club members will skim the document to make sure they currently operate within proper guidelines and procedures.

Club members expressed mixed reactions to the new policies.

Matthew Hagelgans, President of the Association of Student Accountants (ASA) said he did not think SGA should be so strict because attendance to Presidents' Council meetings should be a voluntary action on behalf of the clubs.

Hagelgans does not agree with freezing club funds. "It's like holding us hostage. I have a very low opinion of Presidents' Council because of all the ultimatums," he said.

"The presidents are not allowed to have any input on the decisions that affect their clubs and how the situation is being handled," said Sary Garcia, Vice President of the International Affairs Association (IAA). "Manipulation, that's what this is all about."

Garcia said the measures are generating negative reactions instead of cooperation. "The purpose of Presidents'

Council is to bring everyone together, but instead they are pushing us away."

Garcia suggested that the council meetings be evaluated for effectiveness by the club presidents and faculty.

SPEC President James Gill said attendance to Presidents' Council meetings is important, but not when they interfere with schoolwork.

"But I am appreciative as to what Presidents' Council is and how it ties everything together," Gill said.

"It doesn't take a lot of time and if clubs can't afford to spend a half hour or an hour once a month, they don't deserve to be a club," said Steve Swanson, Capital Iron member and Cheerleader. "It's not a big deal to attend a meeting unless nothing gets accomplished."

"I back SGA on all their proposed punitive measures," said White, "but if someone proposes a definite issue that challenges SGA opinions or decisions, I'll be glad to listen to them."

"If the clubs are not acting under a current constitution, legally they can't even receive funds from SGA," White said. Freezing club funds "is a method to ensure constitutional operations of organizations."

Hilt also emphasized that clubs cannot spend more than 60% of their restricted funds during the fall semester, because "it is budgeting policy from University Park."

Martha Bronson, SGA Senior Math, Engineering and Technology Senator said the new policies reflect the opinions of only some SGA members.

"These rules are only passing because some members abstain and too few vote no," Bronson said. "Before important decisions like this are made, the student body should be consulted. After all, SGA members represent the student body, not themselves."

"I don't want Presidents' Council to be perceived as an unnecessary evil, because we need it," Major said. "With rules and guidelines set up, everything generally runs smoother."

Prof Travels to Struggling USSR

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A Penn State Harrisburg professor returned from her sixth trip to the Soviet Union and says the Soviet Union's future is very unclear.

C. R. Nechemias, a professor of Public Policy, returned from the Soviet Union in late October. She said the economic and political future of the Soviet Union is unclear due to changes in the political structure.

When people were asked about the future, "they throw their hands up in puzzlement," Nechemias said.

Nechemias said that much of the old political system is destroyed and no new political system has been created to make decisions. The change of private ownership of factories and farms from being state owned is minimally successful.

Moscow is also being challenged by the nations of the Soviet Union who want their independence.

Due to the political upheaval, foreign investment and joint foreign business ventures have stopped. If a business signs a contract, both the state and local governments may claim to own the factory or property and the contract may not be considered legal and binding.

"Gorbachev is very unpopular in the Soviet Union," Nechemias said. "The Soviet people see him as an economic idiot and an obstacle to political reform because he wants a strong centralized government."

The Soviet people are finding it harder to get common necessities due to high inflation coupled with low wages. The price of a pair of shoes is the average worker's monthly salary. Meats and dairy products are not found in state stores, and what little is available from private farms cost outrageous prices.

Nechemias says, "Gorbachev doesn't want to see the Soviet Union dismantled, but if it has to happen, it should be done as quickly and painlessly as possible."

Kathy's Kitchen

Pies Date Back to Colonial Days

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Traditional Thanksgiving Dinners usually include a slice of pumpkin pie topped with a dab of "real" whipped cream, or a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

Pumpkins were made popular by the Pilgrims. When the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, the Native American Indians introduced them to a number of vegetables, one of which was the pumpkin.

The first pumpkin pie, was not a pie at all. Instead, the top of the pumpkin was sliced off, the seeds and membranes were scooped out. It was then filled with milk, spices and a sweetener--either honey, maple syrup, or molasses.

The pumpkin was then baked until tender.

One Thanksgiving meal, in Colonial days, was postponed because a shipment carrying molasses was late in arriving. Since pumpkin pie had become a tradition, it wouldn't have been Thanksgiving without it.

Pumpkin pie today is baked in a pastry crust and has become a part of the Thanksgiving tradition.

Here is an alternative recipe to the traditional pumpkin pie. Make it and take it home to mom as a surprise!

Pumpkin Pie Dessert Squares
1 package yellow cake mix
1/2 cup butter or margarine-melted
1 egg

Reserve 1 cup from a yellow cake mix and set it aside.

Combine the rest of the cake mix with 1/2 cup melted butter or margarine and egg. Press into greased 13" by 9" pan.

Combine:
3 cups (14 oz can) pumpkin pie mix (not pure pumpkin)

2 eggs
2/3 cup milk
Pour into pan.

Combine:
1 cup reserved cake mix
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 cup butter or margarine
Sprinkle on top of filling.

Bake at 350* for 45 to 50 minutes or until knife, when inserted, comes out clean.

Cool. Cut into squares. Serve with a dab of whipped cream.
Happy Thanksgiving!

Frehauf Purchase Land Needed for Sidewalk

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Penn State Harrisburg is continuing its negotiations with the Fruehauf Corporation.

The only recent significant development has been a meeting between Fruehauf and a "particular private developer" who had some questions about the university and about PSH's property, said Dr. James R. South, Associate Provost for Administrative Operations. Those talks took place on October 31.

"Fruehauf explained that they are now considering a subdivision of the property," South explained, "and that plan allows for as many as nine individual parcels of land."

"The university is regarding the possibility of some other arrangements that would not involve the property," South said.

"We are trying to re-negotiate the railroad line that runs through the campus and we are trying to negotiate on a place to put a sidewalk to Meade Heights on the north side of Fifth Street away from the road. They (Meade Heights) need a different kind of access into their property without disrupting traffic in the center part of the campus. This is what we are talking to Fruehauf about."

South said that he has not done any negotiating with Fruehauf about the price of their land. However, he is hopeful that the university can bring the negotiations to a close in the very near future.



Accounting major Matthew Hagelgans gives blood during as part of the PSH Blood Fued with Penn State's York and Allentown campuses.
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