Six students voice parking fee concerns

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Six students attending the Strategic Planning Meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 15, in the gallery lounge presented enough questions and ideas about reducing the college's operating costs to keep administrators busy for an hour-and-a-half.

"Where are all the students?" asked Bill Stoner, a graduate student representative for the Strategic Planning Managment and Enrollment Committee. "If I hadn't read about this meeting in the <u>Capital Times</u>, *I* would have missed it."

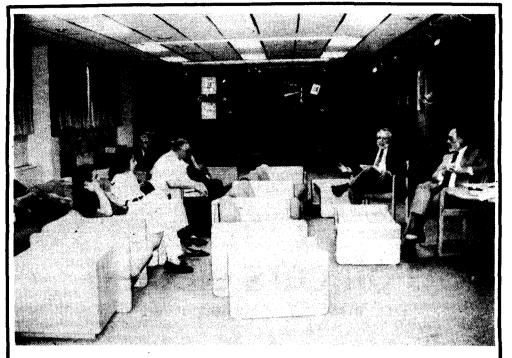
An unidentified student questioned the parking fee and promised to organize a protest against it.

South explained that the propsed parking fee is not a new fee but a reinstatement of a fee that administrators at PSH had postponed for two years. Since the Meade Heights area is part of the Housing and Food Services Department, no parking fee would be necessary for that area.

Many students complained that "all the good stuff is in University Park, yet we all pay the same tuition." The students went on to ask how the PSH campus can obtain their fair share of funding.

South's answer to this concern was that a copy of the budget is available in the library.

He also stated that the administration hopes to have a rought draft of the threeyear plan developed by mid-October, giving students more time and opportunity to submit any written recommendations to the PSH administrators.



Students share ideas with Dr. Ernest K. Dishner, associate provost of faculty and dean of faculty and Dr. Jerry South, associate provost for administrative operations, in the Gallery Lounge at the first Open Strategic Planning Meeting.

A Cap Times survey: Where was everyone?

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An informal student survey indicated five reasons for the poor attendance at the Strategic Planning Meetings:

* There was no poster in the lobby to remind them about the meeting. * Students claimed they did not know where to find the Gallery Lounge.

* Students claimed they did not know about the meetings.

* Students were not on campus at the time.

* Students felt that administration would disregard their suggestions.

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