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### **FEATURE**



cers and senators of the 1996-1997 Student Government Association (SGA) were sworn in by student court chief justice Adam Cubbage Tuesday March 18 at the regular SGA meeting. After congratulating the new inductees, Provost John Bruhn (left) shakes hands with Frank Nieves who just turned over his

The new offi-

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campaign - and they didn't take advantage of that," Woodley said.

PSH students also elected Stacy Quinn as board chair. She ran unopposed. Quinn is only the second student to fill this position and succeeds Ar thur Saunders.

The position of board chair was created last spring with the revisions to the student government constitution which were approved by a student body vote.

According to the SGA constitution, the chair's duties include presiding over all meetings of the senate and interpret parliamentary procedure. Although the board chair has most duties of SGA senators, that office forfeits the right to vote during SGA meetings. Before the creation of this office, it was the responsibility of the SGA president to run the meet-

### ings.

Students also elected three senators. Voters were restricted to voting for candidates in their respective division. Those that wereelected include

Senior senators at large Samuel Kline and Kristen McGlennen; and senior senator of public affairs Jon Smith.

Four positions on the SGA senate remain open and include: senior senator science, engineering, technology; senior senator behavioral sciences and education; senior senator humanities; and graduate senator at large.

Persons interested in those positions should contact the SGA office at 948-6137.

All officers and senators that were elected were sworn into office March 18 by student council chief justice Adam Cubbage.

photo by Jeff Warren

## SGA officers say they will strive to improve communication and teamwork in the PSH community

### Jody L. Jacobs Editor

Only days after they were sworn in, the newly elected officers of the Student input," Feenstra said. "It's Government Association (SGA) started meeting to develop plans for the next semester and to build their working relationships.

President Paul Feenstra - who served as SGA junior senator at large for two semesters - said he plans to

use "common sense" as he begins his new responsibili ties.

"I am going to need important for the students to know that the doors to the SGA office are always open to them."

Feenstra - who commutes from Lancaster - said the SGA will be tackling new policies in the upcoming year including an educational

absence policy for SGA members; new standards for committees to promote more student involvement. SGA will also be investigating a student bill of rights which was introduced at the Commonwealth Campus Student Government meetings this semester.

"We think that we can be a good voice for the students," vice president Stacie Wentzel said. "We want stu-

#### dent opinions."

To improve communication with the student body, Wentzel said that office hours in the SGA office will become more flexible than they have been in the past so that students can more easily talk to members.

The SGA officers are also composing a survey - to be distributed at a future date - so that the student government will have a better

and concerns, Wentzel said. "I think students have a negative outlook on student

idea of students' interests

government for one reason or another and we're trying to change that," Wentzel said.

The student government officers said they also plan on working with the campus clubs and organizations and include them in the distribution of campus funds.

Treasurer Susan Oshman said she will be tak ing the improvements Tarik Griggs' made to the financeprocess and expand upon

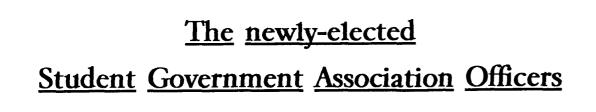
them.

"I think Tarik did an outstanding job revamping the entire system," Oshman said.

Oshman said she will utilize her accounting background to make the request for club funds as simple as possible.

"A lot of clubs and students are asking for money - we need to make it an easier process - applying for funding shouldn't be a big headache," Oshman said.

Oshman said she plans to be receiving budget See SGA pg. 6





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