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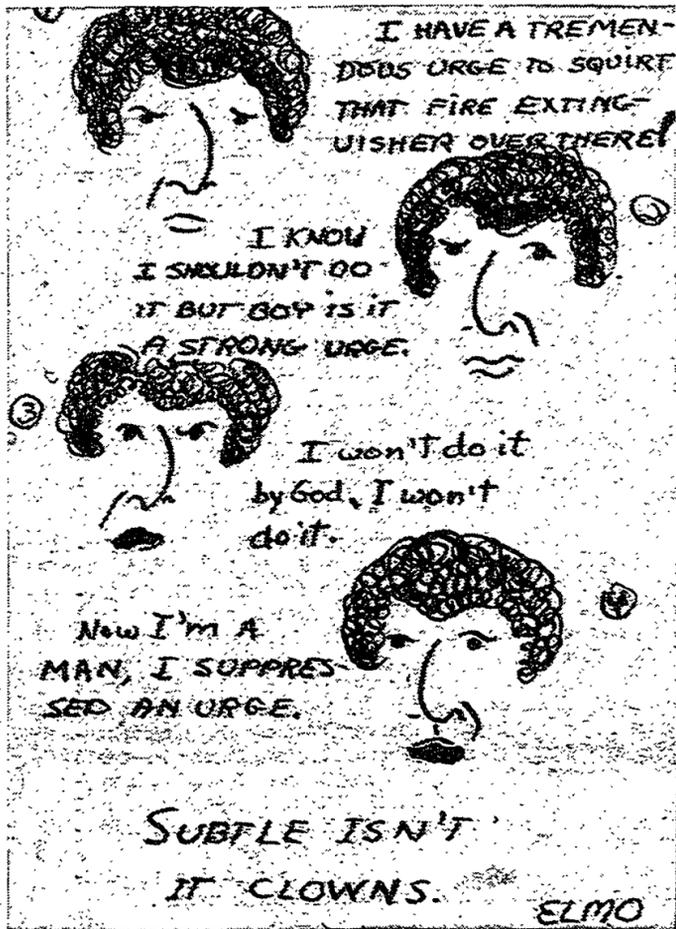


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New Visitation Policies Won't Affect Commonwealth Campus

UNIVERSITY PARK (APS)—Commonwealth Campuses will not be affected by the new ruling on resident hall visitation and conduct policies, according to Bob Misko, Commonwealth Campus representative on the University Senate Committee on Undergraduate Student Affairs (SCUSA).

The revised Senate Rule Z-13, passed in the University Senate Tuesday, could in its full interpretation give the University Park resident halls the power to determine their own policies, which could include 24-hour visitation.

Misko said SCUSA was afraid to revise Section E (formerly Section G) which is the binder affecting the Commonwealth Campuses, at this time "because it might have caused static and hindered the passing of the new ruling."

Section E, which was not revised, stipulates that each Commonwealth Campus will have the "privilege" of regulating visitation and conduct in resident halls, "through procedures regularly used for the formulation of local policies."

Investigation is being conducted by both the SCUSA committee and the Organization of Student Government Associations (OSGA) to find a way to modify

this section of Z-13 so that it might be more consistent with University Park policy.

"What we have to find out," says Charles Mills, also a SCUSA representative, "is where the power now lies at each campus, with the deans of student affairs or the directors?"

A polling of Commonwealth Campus student government presidents at the OSGA conference held last weekend showed eight campuses to be in favor of modifying it, and two campuses with no response, according to Mills. The Capitol Campus, which did not attend the conference, sent him suggestions for revision of the section, Mills also said.

Misko cited some examples to the inconsistency in regulations at the different campuses. According to OSGA investigations the Beaver Campus has regulations similar to University Park; DuBois Campus is not permitted to have a visitation, because the residence hall is privately owned. Other campuses have visitation every other Sunday for three hours. Altoona residents conducting open house must keep their rooms open while visitors of the opposite sex are in them.

Mills told APS that they would

have to "sit down to rewrite Section-G and submit it informally to the deans and directors of the campuses."

If they like it, they would send it to SCUSA for approval, and it should reach the University Senate in April. If this revision is accomplished, it should be in effect by next Fall Term, according to Mills.

"If they don't like it, we will rewrite it until they do," Mills added.

One idea being formulated is to have a board at each campus determine all policies concerning visitation and conduct for the campus. According to Mills, the students on this board would have a two-thirds majority.

Of the campuses that have circulated questionnaires on visitation policies, 600 have been returned to OSGA, according to Misko. OSGA has not compiled the results of the questionnaires yet.

Some difficulties have stood in the way of receiving more questionnaires. At one campus, Misko said, the dean will not permit questionnaires on this subject to be run off on the campus equipment, and OSGA must do this and send the questionnaires to the home of the student government president.

Behrend Delegates Active At Student Govt. Conference

UNIVERSITY PARK (APS)—The Organization of Student Government Associations (OSGA) took favorable action last weekend on the Board of Student Life and Welfare proposal Associated Graduation proposal, Intergovernmental Relations Act and other major bills.

Delegates from all but the Capitol Campus student governments were meeting for a state conference of the OSGA General Assembly at the University Park Campus for the two-day affair.

The assembly voted to "agree in principle with the creation of a Board of Student Life and Welfare". A motion to curtail the discussion until the Commonwealth Campuses get guidelines for a BSLW from the Executive Committee of OSGA was defeated on the floor.

The Assembly accepted a joint proposal which provided for each Commonwealth Campus to "have the right to adopt the board according to the discretion of each campus after the University Senate has passed legislation permitting each campus as it desires to establish its own Board."

One of the sponsors of the joint bill, Ed Swierczuski, president of the New Kensington Campus SGA, told the Assembly

that each campus was unique and should be allowed to develop the Board in accordance with its own needs and problems.

The Board was first introduced to OSGA last Fall Term and in theory would eliminate the present concept of student government and replace it with an organization that would control all non-academic areas of student affairs.

The Assembly voted unanimously to endorse the Behrend Campus proposal on Associate Degree Graduations. The proposal stressed the cost and time elements involved and the two-year student's closer association with his campus. The measure pointed out the advantage of smaller ceremonies not only for the individual campuses, but also at University Park.

In an effort to muster support for the measure, Behrend also asked for letters of endorsement from each campus, which would be compiled and distributed to the University Senate, the appropriate Senate committee, the University president and the Board of Trustees.

The Intergovernmental Relations Act, proposed by Behrend, would provide for delegates from both the OSGA and the Under-

graduate Student Government (USG) to be ex-officio non-voting members of each other's assemblies. This would "establish an intercourse and fluid exchange of expression between the OSGA and USG." It was passed by the assembly.

Discussions of Senate Rule Z-13, which deals with student conduct in residence halls and visitation policies, demonstrated that campuses favor a modification of the rule. The Assembly charged that the rule is too ambiguous and delivers the interpretation of the rule into the hands of the administrators. However, this bill was passed by the University Senate on Wednesday.

The Senate Selection Procedures proposal, setting down the rules for election of representatives to the University Senate was passed. It provides for applications to be sent to all possible candidates at Commonwealth Campuses and University Park. Besides sending a written campaign statement to each campus, each candidate will be interviewed by the Executive Committee, in the regional conferences and before the General Assembly. Election will be by a simple plurality, with the runner-up as the Senate alternate.

B. J. Thomas Concert Sunday In Erie Hall

Billy Joe Thomas was born 24 years ago in Houston, Texas. At the age of 14 he joined the church choir and subsequently the choral group at High School, of which he became President. He decided to make singing his career because of his admiration for Roy Head, who was the leading singer in the area. He became friendly with Roy, and he made up his mind that one day he would become a singer.

While in High School, he began to sing with a group of boys known as the Triumphs. On weekends they played all the small towns in the area and made quite a name for themselves. B. J. wrote a tune, "The Lazy Man", which was recorded and was a big record locally. Over the 4th of July week-end B. J. and the group played at a State Park in Texas and Charles Booth, President of Pacemaker Records, heard the group and B. J. He knew immediately that B. J. had the talent and the potential to make it. His first record, "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry" was an instant hit in Houston and was brought to the attention of Scepter Records; they bought the master and signed the artist. The rest is history; Lone-

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