

EDITORIAL

SGA'S FAILURE TO ACT FACTOR IN CFP DEFEAT

Student Government Association's failure to follow proper Parliamentary procedures may have been the main reason the Common Free Period (CFP) proposal was rejected by the administration.

Campus Council's purpose is "to provide the institutional structure whereby University and Campus matters can be communicated, ideas exchanged, and activities coordinated," stated Campus Director, John D. Vairo in a letter dated August 14, to Dennis George, President of SGA.

This same letter requested from George the names of students who were to make up the Campus Council. The letter asked that these names be submitted "very soon after the start

of Orientation" because it is "especially important to have a meeting very early in the term."

The Campus Council was finally completed two weeks ago after Dean Linder and other administration officials continually urged SGA to fulfill their responsibilities.

Campus Council, in the case of CFP, could have provided necessary and relevant facts pertinent to planning a course of action.

Had SGA worked through the Campus Council and followed Parliamentary rules "the administrative decision might well have been different," said Vairo.

Further proposals and activities SGA plans should be carried out quickly and through proper channels before introducing them to the students.

It is to the benefit of all concerned.

YO-YO CONTEST

by Chris Udovich

The current yo-yo craze has come to our campus. During a recent Student Government Association meeting, Sheila Mellon, a councilman, proposed that the campus hold a yo-yo contest. A friend of hers requested it and she thought that the students would enjoy it. The date of the contest was scheduled for Friday, November 6.

On Friday, November 6, a number of people showed up with their yo-yos, ready to show off their tricks. Unfortunately, the contest was called off because our SGA officers had to attend an OSGA meeting at University Park.

Joseph Barbutto and William Powell, Parliamentarian, are now in the process of organizing, and everyone is invited to participate in another contest. It is now scheduled for Friday, November 20. Who will judge the contest, the exact time, and where it will be held has not yet been determined; however, the judges' names, the time and the place will be posted by Tuesday, November 17.

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SKI TRIP PLANS STUCK IN SLUSH

Once again our Student Government Association (SGA) is planning something special to make life more enjoyable at Penn State. This time it is a weekend ski trip and everyone is invited to go.

Mike DeSanto, Treasurer, and Anpelo ~~Parano~~, Secretary, are organizing the affair which came about as a result of students requesting more activities. The trip will take place sometime in January. An exact date has not been set. They are also undecided as to where it will be. DeSanto said, "It's either Camel Back or Big Boulder in the Poconos." ~~Parano~~ said, "We'd like to go somewhere in upstate New York." Because of this indecision, no calls have been made to determine the cost of accommodations, transportation, or the ski equipment. ~~Parano~~ said, however, that it will be relatively inexpensive. Actually no plans have been made at all. Both DeSanto and ~~Parano~~ have said, "It's still all in the planning stages." The SGA

plans to discuss it further before we act."

It is now the middle of November. We do not attend school in December for any great length of time, and the trip is supposed to take place in January. A ski trip for a large number of students is not easy to organize. We are leaving it up to two people who have not even set a date, because it is still in the "planning stages." If we allow this to continue, there will not be a ski trip.

Once again our Student Government Association is planning something for the enjoyment of the students, but it could very well fall through because of the lack of planning and organization. If you really want to go and have a good time, see that the SGA starts acting right now. Otherwise, once again, our enjoyment will turn to misery.