

WSGA Forms, Interprets Rules

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Rules and regulations for women students at the University are formulated, interpreted, and enforced by the Women's Student Government Association.

The group, formed in 1915 and reorganized in 1921, is composed of the Senate, House of Representatives, Freshman Council, Freshman Regulations Board, and Judicial.

Each dormitory is divided into units, with a housemother in charge of each section. This is the basic governing body. Hostesses act as advisers at the regular house meetings. Each unit elects a president, vice president, and a secretary-treasurer.

Senate Top Body

The highest governing body of WSGA is the Senate. It is composed of four officers, seven senators, and representatives of Leonides, Panhellenic Council, and Women's Recreation Association.

Nominees for offices are selected from the names of women who apply at the Dean of Women's office. A screening board determines those eligible on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and extra-curricular activities.

Applicants may not have a major judicial record or less than a 1.5 average. All women vote in the primary and final elections for Senate officers and representatives of their class.

Ellis Heads Senate

Patricia Ellis, WSGA president, presides over senate meetings. She is an ex-officio member of all WSGA committees and governing bodies. She is WSGA's representative on All-University Cabinet.

Kay Kingsley, WSGA vice president, presides over the House of Representatives. Within the first two weeks of the academic year, she organizes the upper class houses. She is chairman of May Day.

The WSGA secretary, Arlene Borgeson, posts all minutes of meetings in women's dormitories, and assumes the duties of the president, in Miss Ellis' absence.

Treasurer's Duties

Treasurer Sue Hill has charge of the finances of the Association, the disbursements being subject to the approval of senate and Dean of Women, Pearl O. Weston. She is an ex-officio member of all WSGA committees which have a budget.

Senior senator Gail Smith is chairman of the coed coordinating committee and is responsible for the "Tea for the Coeds."

The two junior senators are responsible for WSGA guest speakers and the activities scrapbook.

The sophomore senator is chairman of freshman council, while one freshman senator is chairman of the freshman tea.

WSGA Activities

Activities planned by WSGA are the annual May Day, Mother's Day Weekend, activity cards in the Dean of Women's office, organizing units in dormitories, helping with Orientation Week, sponsoring clothing drives, and the junior-senior faculty reception.

Town women select a WSGA senator, and WSGA has provided a special study room in Woman's Building for town women.

House of Representatives is made up of the president of each dormitory unit. It discusses questions brought up at house meetings and makes recommendations to be carried back to the unit meetings.

Freshmen Problems

Freshman Council acts as co-ordinator between freshman women and the WSGA senate. It is composed of the president and vice-president of freshman living units and one town freshman. The two freshman senators act as ex-officio members.

Martha Michiner, sophomore senator, is chairman of the group. The council discusses freshman problems, and if necessary, refers them to the Senate.

Before any regulation affecting freshman women can be made or appealed, it must be passed by Freshman Council, then freshmen regulation board, and be approved by the dean of women and the WSGA Senate.

Members of Freshman Council are elected in the second or third week of September.

Social Gazette

Frosh Women's Mixer, 8 to-night, dormitories.

Convocation, 6:15 p.m. tomorrow, Schwab Auditorium; 7 p.m., campus tour; 8 p.m., Recreation Hall; and 10 p.m., Hall Unit Meeting Rooms.

WSGA Program, 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Schwab Auditorium; 8 p.m., College Meetings (as listed) and 10 p.m., Hall Unit Meeting Rooms.

4 Hat Societies Serve Three-Fold Purpose

Four women's hat societies are organized at the University to give recognition to women for their leadership, scholarship, and service.

Mortar Board, oldest national honorary for senior women, and Scrolls, established at the University one year ago, recognize senior women. Chimes is the junior society, and Cwens was founded for sophomore women.

Mortar Board taps sixth semester women in the spring semester. An average of .3 above the All-University women's average is required for membership.

Mortar Board Pin

The pin, shaped like a mortar board, holds the words Pi Sigma Alpha to signify service, scholarship, and leadership—the objectives of the society.

Each year the group sponsors the Mardi Gras—an indoor carnival in Recreation Hall. Profits go to the Charlotte E. Ray scholarship fund.

Other activities of the group include assisting with Orientation Week and acting as hostesses for various receptions with women from other honoraries.

Eligibility for Scrolls, the second senior honorary, is based on one major activity in which a student has been active for at least three years and has obtained a substantial position, and two minor activities. Tapes must have a 1.5 All-University average and be sixth semester standing.

Scrolls' Activities

Members of Scrolls act as ushers for the Community Forum and assist in the Orientation Week activities.

The purpose of Chimes is to honor junior women who have

shown loyalty to the University by giving their service and leadership to the advancement of its interests, welfare, and unity.

Chimes taps women in the spring of their fourth or fifth semester. It requires an average of .3 above the All-University junior women's average, and stresses participation in two major activities.

Chimes' pin is a small gold bell—the clapper being a cluster of three pearls. "To lead with knowledge, to follow with intelligence, to seek the worthwhile life" is the group's motto.

Chimes' Program

Chimes assists in the orientation program in the fall, at pep rallies, and with the Women's Student Government Association and Women's Recreation Association elections. Each year the group decorates one of the floats for the Miss Penn State parade, a part of Spring Week activities.

Cwens, the sophomore hat society, was set up to recognize women outstanding in their freshman year. Members must show outstanding ability and scholarship.

Every fall Cwens sponsors the Dugaree Drag, a girl-ask-boy dance. The funds raised by the dance are placed in a scholarship fund.

Cwens are also active in the orientation program.

Dormitory Problems Confuse New Coeds

The idiosyncracies of campus life—particularly when it comes to dormitory life—are probably overwhelming the freshman women by now. It's a confusing mess. All you can do is read every bit of information available for clarification of problems and hope that in the meantime you don't make any fatal blunders.

Perhaps the most puzzling issue of dormitory life is that of regulations. After a life at home where sign-out tables are unheard of and late returns of two minutes after a curfew are forgotten, it is difficult to become accustomed to strict dormitory regulations. It is, however, one of the necessary evils of dorm life.

Every time you leave the dorm after 5:30 p.m., freshman women must sign out. This involves signing your name, room number, and the time that you leave. When you return, you must again sign your name and the time at the moment when you sign in. No one may ever sign in or out for you.

During freshman customs freshman women are allowed to stay out until 9:15 p.m. Late returns are punishable with a 1 o'clock removal for lateness of 5 to 20 minutes on a 9:15 p.m. A 1 o'clock removal means that no dating is allowed from 6:30 Saturday until the following morning. If you are late, you may not enter the dormitory unless you are let in by the checker (the girl that checks the returns of the women of your dorm.) A late bell, usually located near the door is rung by a latecomer, which sounds in the checker's room. She will then admit the late coed into the dorm.

Blackmarks, marks which are given to a coed for breaking rules, are another necessary evil. Blackmarks which might affect you this

week are given for extreme noise; untidy room; failure to sign in or out; not signing out properly; staying in the lounge with a date without signing out; wearing exposed curlers, bandanna, bedroom slippers, or bluejeans in the dining halls; calling out a window; entertaining men in the dormitory before noon; not having men out of the dormitory at closing hour; signing out some one else, and being signed out. Other blackmarks may be given, but the circumstance which they penalize probably will not occur this first week.

A coed may not smoke in the dining halls, on campus, or in the streets of town. No coed is allowed to drink.

Out-going and in-coming telephone calls are terminated at 10 p.m. on week-days, and at midnight on—Friday and Saturday nights. Long distance calls only (Continued on page nineteen)

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money for Campus Chest, help to run the He-Man contest during Spring Weeks, and distribute posters for various organizations.

Other projects this group has are cleaning up after the Spring Carnival, aiding in scouting in this district, and doing community projects such as painting a church and aiding in moving library equipment.

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