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AIM Board Hears Constitution Changes

By JACKIE HUDGINS

The Association of Independent Men Board of Governors last night approved the first reading of the revised constitution and elected Leonard Richards, fourth semester business administration major, secretary.

The constitution must be read once more to the board before final approval.

Major differences in the proposed constitution and the existing one are as follows:

The board of governors will not be permitted to enact legislation, resolutions, recommendations or appropriations that concern only one council as it was permitted to do under the old constitution. At least two councils or the entire organization must benefit from any AIM board legislation unless that area council has violated the constitution.

Veto Power

A presidential veto power is established in the revision. If the president should veto legislation passed by the board of governors, the board could repass the legislation, by a two-thirds vote of the members present and nullify the veto. The existing constitution provides for no such veto power, but as Robert Dennis, president, said, such a power is included in the All-University Cabinet constitution.

Vice Presidential Duties

The duties of the vice president are enumerated in the revision whereas they were not formerly. He shall serve as ex-officio chairman of the constitutional committee and the social committee.

Impeachment proceedings of officers are listed in the revision. The existing constitution provides for impeachment, but sets up no formal procedure.

Both the present constitution and the revision state that it is unlawful for any campus political party to support directly or indirectly, or to aid in any manner, a candidate to obtain an office in AIM. Dennis said this section of the constitution may be abolished in the future when and if political parties become more responsible.

More Changes Suggested

Several preliminary motions were suggested by members of the board of governors for changes to be made in the constitution revision, but Dennis asked that they be postponed until the second reading.

Upon his election as secretary, Richards resigned as chairman of the elections committee. David Boucher, second semester physics major, the defeated candidate for secretary, was appointed chairman of the elections committee by Dennis.

James W. Dean, Assistant to the Dean of Men in charge of independent affairs, said a letter submitted to his office by Dennis telling of AIM progress during the fall semester was reviewed by University officials and AIM's progress was unanimously acclaimed the best of that of any campus organization.

20 Seeking To Activate ODK Group

The national secretary of Omicron Delta Kappa, men's national leadership fraternity, will be on campus Saturday and Sunday to help in the organization of a local chapter, Frank J. Simes, Dean of Men, said yesterday.

Benjamin Sinclair, eighth semester arts and letters major, said he and about 20 students have been working since September gathering information about the national fraternity. They are preparing a constitution to be presented next week to the Senate Committee on Student Affairs for approval.

If the committee approves the constitution it will be sent to the national chapter for approval.

Bishop to Answer Questions
The secretary, Robert W. Bishop, will answer questions about the fraternity and help the group in writing its constitution.

In order to become a member of ODK, a student would be considered on the basis of his activities and grades. He would have to be in the upper 35 per cent of his class and be of junior or senior standing.

Two Advisors Here

ODK members at the University, Dr. Arthur Wellington and Dean James W. Dean, assistants to the Dean of Men, are acting as advisors for the students interested in establishing a chapter here. Other advisors are Dr. H. K. Wilson, Dr. Henry Brunner, and Simes.

Sinclair said he did not believe ODK would conflict with Lion's Paw, senior men's society, although both organizations stress leadership. Whereas Lion's Paw requires that a member's All-University average be 1.0, that required by the University for participation in activities, ODK scholastic requirements would be approximately 1.6.

ODK has 83 chapters and 23,000 members. There is a chapter at the University of Pittsburgh, Bucknell University, and Grove City.

Parking in Town May Be Eased

Downtown parking may be eased if the State College Borough Council purchases a lot a block from the business district which is going on sale.

The council authorized its transportation committee to look into the advisability of purchasing the lot Monday night.

An ordinance which would double the price of parking at parking meters was tabled. Under the proposal, the charge would be changed from five cents for one hour to five cents for 30 minutes. The Area Chamber of Commerce asked that action be delayed.

AFL, CIO Leaders End 20-Year Split, Will Form 15 Million Member Union

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 9 (P)—AFL and CIO leaders today agreed to end the 20-year-old split in organized labor and merge into a single 15-million-member union federation.

George S. Meany, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Walter Reuther, head of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, predicted that necessary ratifications would be accomplished by the end of the year.

They said the powerful new union organization, not yet given a formal name, would immediately launch an all-out organizing drive to bring millions more workers into union membership.

"We are pooling our resources so we can take on the task of organizing the great mass of unorganized workers in America and build a greater industrial democracy," Reuther said.

The merger agreement was signed by two 10-man committees representing the rival union organizations.

Under the merger arrangement the two top jobs in the new federation will go to the AFL, with Meany and AFL Secretary-Treasurer William Schnitzler due to take over the same jobs in the new setup.

CIO unions are to enter the AFL as a "Council of Industrial Organizations" with the right to name their own leader, who probably will be Reuther although he smilingly said he would not be a candidate. Reuther also heads the million-member CIO Auto Union.

Present CIO unions also will have the right to name and staff the member-organizing activities of the new federation.

The merger agreement will be considered here tomorrow by the AFL Executive Council. Approval was considered virtually a foregone conclusion since many top AFL leaders took part in the successful merger negotiations.

The pact will go before the CIO's Executive Board at a special meeting in Washington on Feb. 22. A formal constitution for the new federation then is to be drawn up along the lines of the detailed agreement worked out today.

The constitution must be ratified at separate AFL and CIO (Continued on page eight)

George S. Meany

Walter Reuther

Committee To Consider Constitution

Ross B. Lehman, chairman of the Senate Committee on Student Affairs subcommittee on organization control, said yesterday his committee will meet Monday to consider the constitution of the Campus party.

Meanwhile, Wilmer E. Kenworthy, secretary of the Senate Committee on Student Affairs, said Lehman's committee has referred the Lion party constitution to his group for final approval.

After the subcommittee on organization control approves political party constitutions, they must be referred to the Student Affairs committee for final action.

Kenworthy said his group will consider the Lion party constitution at its first meeting of the semester, but he did not know when the meeting will be held.

Lehman said his committee has not as yet received a constitution from State party. The constitution was discussed once and sent back to the party for final revisions.

Rae DelleDonne, State party clique chairman, could not be reached last night for comment on when she will present her constitution to Lehman's committee. However, Lehman said he expects to receive the constitution within the next few days.

The constitution of the Campus party was submitted to Lehman's committee at the close of last semester.

Gordon Pogal, former Lion party clique chairman, indicated earlier that Lehman's committee had approved the Lion party constitution, but Kenworthy's statement yesterday was the first official announcement that action had been taken.

The Senate must charter campus political parties because All-University Cabinet decided earlier this fall it does not have the power to do so.

Chartering of political parties was included in the permanent elections code adopted by Cabinet last fall.

Wright Fund For Fuel Tech Is Established

A student loan fund has been established in honor of Dr. Calvert C. Wright, who headed the department of fuel technology until his death Feb. 1, 1954.

The loans will aid students in fuel technology who need financial assistance. The project has been approved by the Board of Trustees, and contributions to the fund will be received through the Penn State Foundation.

Students who receive loans from the fund will be expected to return the amount borrowed, although interest will not be charged for the money until the student has been out of college for one year.

Dr. Wright, a native of Southport, England, came to Penn State in 1932 as a research fellow in chemistry. From 1945 until his death, he headed the University's program in fuel technology.

3d Party Constitution Meets 8 Requirements

By DOTTIE STONE

The Constitution of the Campus party, third political party, follows closely the eight specific recommendations for constitutions set up by the Senate Committee on Student Affairs subcommittee on organization control.

In its report to the political parties, the subcommittee said the constitutions of the two existing parties were vague and full of loopholes. While these re-written constitutions are in the process of being approved, the Campus party constitution is also being checked before its charter can be granted.

The eight points recommended by the subcommittee met in the constitution as follows:

Tenure of Office

1. Campus party's constitution provides a tenure of office for five clique officers to be elected: chairman, vice chairman, recording and executive secretaries, and treasurer. Four class cliques will be organized from the all-university clique, each having five similar officers.

2. Campus party will have a steering committee composed of a majority of elected members. Fifteen members will be appointed, being the chairman of various

committees, while 25 members will be elected. These are the 20 class clique officers and the five all-university clique officers.

3. Under the treasurer's duties, the constitution states the office of Associated Student Activities will be custodian for all funds. The treasurer will give a financial report at every meeting of the clique and steering committee.

Removal of Officers

4. Removal of officers in the campus party may be for actions contrary to the constitution, malfeasance in office, or embezzlement. The steering committee (Continued on page eight)

FMA Airs Office in Borough

The Fraternity Marketing Association last night heard a report from the planning and development committee aimed at expanding the facilities of FMA to include a downtown office, a full-time secretary, and a part-time manager.

At present, FMA is managed strictly on a part time basis. The report was merely discussed and no action was taken.

According to the report, \$4535 will be needed to open and maintain such an office. At the end of this year, FMA will have a surplus of \$550 which may be returned to fraternities or put toward an expansion program.

The gross business of FMA for this year will total \$136,500 Member houses are changed a service charge of 1½ percent on gross business. This makes a total service charge of \$1950. The current operating budget is \$1400, leaving the \$550 surplus.

Based on an extension of these figures, FMA will have to do a gross business of \$300,000 to have the \$4535 to maintain the expanded office facilities, the report said.

At the present time fraternities may buy meats, frozen foods, and canned goods through FMA. Twenty-one fraternities are now participating in the meat-buying program, while 24 are buying canned goods.

According to the report, two alternatives are open to FMA for increasing the volume of business. One is to increase the number of fraternities, while the other is to expand the buying program itself.

A program is being planned to acquaint non-member fraternities with the workings of FMA.

The report was presented by Robert K. Murray, chairman of the committee.

Scheduling Officer To Seek Nomination

Ray V. Watkins, University scheduling officer, has announced his candidacy for Republican nomination as Centre County Commissioner.

Watkins became English composition instructor at the University in 1924 and was named scheduling officer in 1937.

He has served three terms as a State College school director; was chairman of the State College Ration Board during World War II, and was a member of the original Welfare Committee in State College.

Infirmary Rooms Full

The infirmary is filled to capacity today with 33 University students. Most of them are suffering from the grip and colds.

Oliver Sax, senior track star injured in an automobile crash Monday, is reported improved.