

SGA Judicial Holds 8 Courts

The judicial branch of the Student Government Association possesses all judicial powers of the SGA and exercises them through eight courts and boards.

The highest student court is the Supreme Court, which is concerned with matters of constitutionality. Any student or organization that feels a ruling of a lower court is unconstitutional may appeal the case to the Supreme Court.

When there is a question concerning the constitutionality of legislation passed, or when there is an appeal to remove from office a member of SGA, the Supreme Court rules on it.

The Court is made up of the Council of Organization Control Board Chairmen and the Council of Disciplinary Court Chairmen.

The Council of Organization Board of Control consists of the chairmen of the Interfraternity Council Board of Control, the Panhellenic Board of Control and the Organization Board of Control. This board rules on matters of jurisdiction within its combined control.

The Council of Disciplinary Court Chairmen consists of the chairmen of Traffic Court, WSGA Judicial, Off Campus Tribunal and the chairman of one of the On Campus Tribunals.

The chairman of the Supreme Court has the power to refuse a particular case, but he must justify his action to the court.

When a case is presented to the Supreme Court, the court must first decide whether there are grounds for hearing the case. If there are grounds, the court then rules on the case.

Cases involving male students living in the residence halls are brought before an On Campus Tribunal. At present there are three On Campus Tribunals, one in each male residence halls area.

The Off Campus Tribunal hears cases involving male students living outside of campus residence halls. The members of this

court are eight in number—four fraternity and four independent men.

The Judicial hears cases involving individual female students. Its operation is constructed and directed by the Women's Student Government Association.

Students violating University parking and traffic regulations are brought before the Traffic Court. There will be nine male students on Traffic Court appointed by the SGA president and subject to the approval of Assembly.

The court will consist of two sophomores, four juniors, two seniors and one graduate student. Membership will be distributed equally between fraternity and independent men. All revenue received from fines will be placed in the Student Scholarship Fund or will be used for operating costs of the court.

All organizations chartered by the Senate Committee on Student Affairs, excepting fraternities and sororities, are subject to review by the Organization Board of Control, to determine if they are fulfilling their chartered obligations.

If an organization is governed by a recognized regulatory group, it is exempt from this board.

The IFC Board of Control has disciplinary power over all fraternities. Its structure and membership is determined by the IFC.

The Panhellenic Board of Control has disciplinary power over all sororities. This court is constructed and operated by the Panhellenic Council.

College Alum Groups OK'd By Trustees

The University Board of Trustees, after a year of study, has approved the organization of alumni societies for each of the colleges of the University. The societies are to be organized as constituent groups of the Penn State Alumni Association.

Several of the colleges have shown an interest in developing smaller and more intimate alumni organizations. However, Harley I. Swift, chairman of the committee, lists membership in the Alumni Association as a requirement for membership in the constituent society.

The main purposes for the general plan are to eliminate fragmentation and confusion among graduates concerning dues requests and fund solicitations, to keep alumni from being overloaded and irritated by separate and uncoordinated appeals, to create a balance in the needs of respective colleges and that of the University, and to avoid duplication of effort, officials say.

The committee said it felt that by being part of the overall program at the University, the constituent groups would have the help of the parent body, understanding of overall University problems and needs, and a closer relationship with other constituent groups and their programs and operations.

On the other hand, it emphasized that constituent groups should have their own boards of directors, their own officers and their own programs. They should have representatives on the Alumni council and the aid of the Council of the Executive Secretary of the Penn State Alumni Association, his facilities and his staff.

House Attends Symposium

Robert W. House, assistant director of computer facilities, recently attended a two-week symposium on "Finite and Infinite State Machines" at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Associate Degree Offered in Hotel Ad

For the first time this fall the University will offer a two-year program in the field of hotel and food service. The program will lead to an associate degree.

About half of the required courses in the program are technical in nature designed to administer, as quickly as possible, exposure to the facts and procedures necessary for successful professional performance.

These technical courses are not acceptable towards a bachelor degree but the remaining courses in the program are regular undergraduate courses that carry regular credit towards the baccalaureate degree if the student should decide to carry on his studies.

Farm Group Establishes Two Ag Scholarships

The Pennsylvania Master Farmers Association has established two scholarships honoring the late Mason C. Gilpin, former editor of the Pennsylvania Farmer, Harrisburg.

Each of the scholarships will provide \$100 per year. One will be awarded to a student in agricultural journalism and the other will be given a student in general agriculture.

Prof Attends Chem Meeting

Dr. W. C. Fernelius, professor and head of the Department of Chemistry, was one of the five official delegates to the International Union of Pure Applied Chemistry conference which was held in Munich, Germany from Aug. 26 to Sept. 9.

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