

OSGA Defeats USG Name Change

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The bottom fell out of the principal argument for switching the name of student government on campus from USG back to SGA when the OSGA voted not to recommend the name change Saturday.

A convention of delegates from all the Commonwealth campuses except Allentown and New Kensington defeated the recommendation by a six to two vote, with four abstentions. Hazleton, Ogontz, Wilkes-Barre and York abstained. Dennis Foianini, USG president, representing University Park voted against the recommendation.

THE ABSTENTIONS resulted from a split in the delegations from each of the four campuses. Every campus may be represented by two official delegates, the two may cast only one vote.

A motion to amend the USG Constitution by changing the name of student government from USG back to SGA is currently on the floor of the Congress. The amendment, proposed by Randy Carter, junior class president and former SGA president at the Ogontz campus, has had two readings in the Congress and will be voted upon at the USG meeting Thursday night.

In proposing the amendment, Carter said that in the spirit of

unity all the other campuses had conformed to the name of the University Park student government at the time—SGA. OSGA has also invested around \$200 on dies for standardized SGA awards, he added.

SPEAKING TO the OSGA convention in defense of the name USG, Foianini asked, "Are you deeply hurt and shocked by the name change? The name change shouldn't have turned into the political issue it is now on the University Park campus."

"Many would interpret a name change back to SGA as a Foianini defeat," he said.

"Undoubtedly the decision you make right now will have a definite influence on the thinking of the USG Congress," Robert Fisher, OSGA president, said. "Many haven't made up their minds yet and are waiting for the decision of this meeting."

"It is not a matter of a name change but a matter of principle. I don't believe there is much political implication involved in the issue," Fisher said.

GEORGE L. DONOVAN, coordinator of student activities, said, "When OSGA was formed many of our organizations were called student councils, and although unity in name was suggested, it was at no time demanded. We still would welcome you in OSGA if you had decided to retain the name student council."

The same privilege should be granted to University Park, he added.

After the vote, Fisher said, "I am very disappointed that the OSGA has not supported my efforts as its president for unity among the campuses of the Pennsylvania State University. I shall, however, maintain my stand as a USG Congressman, and will continue both to support and seek support for this amendment."

Cold Weather to Remain; Light Snow Due Tonight

Friday's three inch snowfall was followed by the coldest weather so far this winter, and the mercury skidded to two below zero early Sunday.

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