

# UC request called 'witch hunt'



For the record

Chalmers Norris, University planning and budget director, tells University Coalition members they will probably not find mismanaged money by examining the University's books.

By MARC COHEN  
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The University Coalition's request to review Penn State's finances was termed a 'witch hunt' by University Planning and Budget Director Chalmers Norris yesterday. "You're searching for something you won't find," he told the Coalition. "I don't think you'll find very many dollars," he added.

About 15 Coalition members crowded into Norris' outer office to discuss the matter. According to Coalition member Rick Hesketh, the administration is mismanaging tuition funds. "It's apparent since Oswald took over, that university finances have been mismanaged," he said. "Tuition has gone beyond the inflationary rate and it bums me out," Hesketh said.

Norris claimed the state legislature has made tuition very high. "Comparatively, Penn State is operated efficiently and economically," he said. "Penn State is operating at a lower cost than Pitt or Temple and tuition is lower," he added.

The Coalition claimed a tuition hike was avoidable. They demanded permission to scrutinize the financial records. "We have a right to know where our money is going," Coalition member John Strand said. Strand questioned the expenditures for private airplanes and the president's house.

Norris said. "To do a sound job on the books, a person must understand the internal functions of the University," he said. "Reviewing the finances would be a full time job."

Hesketh said, "We're qualified to make decisions when we think the money being spent is coming from our pockets." Norris suggested asking for specific answers, instead of a general request to open the books.

"I've written letters to Oswald and the Board of Trustees without success," Hesketh said. "When I questioned student trustee Dion Stewart he replied that he didn't know and didn't care." Norris said it was hard to believe Stewart said that.

The Coalition was also concerned about administrative expenses. Norris said University policy classified them as confidential. When asked to reveal his salary he refused, but said

he wouldn't object if there was a disclosure policy. Norris restated that students must compare colleges. "Check what you're paying for to what you're getting," he said. "This is a cost effective institution."

The Coalition claimed it had no evidence of that fact. Norris countered that the Coalition didn't accept the evidence available and termed the information it had as "faulty."

Hesketh said the evidence was compiled from the Penn State Source Book. Norris said the Coalition's

claims of 18 per cent average tuition increases were not correct. "It has been about 14 per cent the past few years." The Coalition also demanded top priority for students in budget considerations.

Tuition is one of several main considerations, Norris said. "There is no single consideration," he said, "it is a blend of considerations."

Strand asked Norris if he would recommend to Oswald that the budget be made public. "I'm not going to respond to that," Norris said. "My conversations with the president are private."

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## PLRB hearings continue

# Hershey grants reviewed

By KEITH BARNES  
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The dean of the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center testified yesterday that doctors are on annual salaries paid by the University, and do not receive extra money for grants awarded after salaries have been determined.

Dr. Harry Prystowsky said that money in a grant that is not used for equipment and expenses is placed into the "general funds" category which eventually pays for faculty salaries, among other things. Prystowsky testified at the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board (PLRB) faculty unionization hearings. Under cross-examination by Ronald Watzman, attorney for the Pennsylvania State University Professional Association, Prystowsky compared the accrediting of a

medical school to that of other colleges in a university. The College of Medicine, Prystowsky said, periodically is reviewed by a committee consisting of members of the American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC) and the American Medical Association. The committee then recommends approval to the Commission on Higher Education (Federal Department of Education) which does the actual certifying, Prystowsky said.

When asked by Watzman why, in its annual report to the AAMC, the college is referred to as a "private" institution, Prystowsky said "it is not a state totally supported institution. A public institution would have its salaries determined by the legislature. We are not part of that system and therefore are 'private.'"

Prystowsky said that salary increases each year have been in line with the rest of the salary increases at the University. The University is trying to show that the medical school faculty should be part of a voting unit that will determine whether or not the faculty institutes collective bargaining in future contract agreements.

Prystowsky will continue to testify at the next round of hearings June 2, 3 and 4 in 311 J. Orvis Keller Conference Center. This was the fourth round and 11th session of hearings which started in December. PLRB Hearing Examiner Sidney Lawrence said he expects that only two more rounds of hearings will be held and that an election can occur this fall.

## HILLEL EVENTS THIS WEEK

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