

Town, gown try to cut housing tension

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zoned for single-family dwellings.

"The ordinances that exist now will be enforced. I have no doubt in my mind," said USG President Emil Parvensky.

Parvensky said that the Interfraternity Council's community liaison program is a good example of town and gown cooperation. However, he added that because non-Greek students live in a much more diffused area than fraternity members, it would be difficult to establish a committee as effective as IFC's.

During the meeting, student leaders also discussed downtown noise and parking problems. IFC President Adam Levinson questioned the borough's noise enforcement policies.

"Why would the police go around looking for trouble even if the noise was bothering no one?" he asked. "If no one's being harmed by 65 decibels, what's the harm?"

Levinson said that Beta Sigma Beta fraternity, 255 E. Fairmount Ave., was recently fined for a noise violation.

Calling himself the "resident noise biter," Dombroski said the noise detection devices used by the police are effective and the monitoring activity is necessary.

"We're not really out looking for trouble," he said. "We're trying to

educate people that there is a noise problem."

In response to students' concerns about the University banning overnight parking on campus, Dombroski said that he sent a letter to David Schuckers, director of government relations, asking that the University reconsider its decision.

After concluding the downtown housing discussion, the council also agreed to send a letter to the University Board of Trustees to lobby for increased funding for student organizations.

In a follow-up to a lobbying effort this summer by Parvensky, the council agreed to support the USG president's proposal to Steven A. Garban, senior vice president for finance and operations, that called for \$214,716 in additional funding for student organizations.

Parvensky's proposal was made after the University received an increase in its state appropriation of 4 percent — rather than the 2 percent increase originally proposed by Gov.

Dick Thornburgh. At the July board meeting, Parvensky spoke of his feeling that any additional money received from the state be used to lower the 9.2 percent tuition increase approved by the trustees.

But after consultations with University administrators, Parvensky said that even if the additional state funding could not be used to lower tuition, it should be used "for something that will affect students directly rather than indirectly."

And after a short discussion on the merits of Parvensky's idea, the council agreed to send a joint letter to trustees that would support his idea.

But with the board meeting scheduled for Sept. 15 and 16, only two weeks away, the council found itself in a squeeze for time and agreed to write a draft letter tomorrow for approval at next week's council meeting.

The council also discussed its future, agreeing that a new organization — which would include graduate student representation — has become necessary. The new executive council would, if University President Bryce Jordan agreed, replace the Student Advisory Board, which has served as the student organization from which the administration sought input into University governance.

"What we are trying to do is come up with an alternative for SAB," Parvensky said.

Parvensky's alternative, which the council will continue to discuss,

would have executive council removed from USG. The new council would still meet once a week, he said, adding that he hoped it would meet with the University president about once a month.

In other business, the council also:

- Endorsed Parvensky's idea of delivering a "State of the Students" speech before a joint meeting of student organizations. Tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m. on Sept. 11 in the HUB, Parvensky said the speech would address "my views of what can be expected" in the coming year.

- Learned that the HUB is now forming plans to keep its ground floor open from 7 a.m. on Dec. 14 to midnight Dec. 16 to provide study space for final examinations. With the new semester calendar, the University has provided two studying days from the last day of class to the first day of finals, and the HUB is attempting to accommodate the need for additional study space, Parvensky said.

- Discussed the progress of a task force formed last spring to gather information about the structure, strengths and weaknesses of student government. Beth Saylor, USG vice president and co-chairwoman of the task force, said she expected to have a report to the council in two weeks.



Photo by Jeff Holmes

University president Bryce Jordan chats with Dr. Teresa Cohen at a reception for Rabbi Roy Mittelman, the Hillel Foundation's new director.

Jordans help welcome new director at Hillel

Last night University president Bryce Jordan and his wife, Janelle, were among the guests at a reception to welcome the Hillel Foundation's new director, Rabbi Roy Mittelman.

The 350-member organization held the event to welcome Mittelman, who recently moved to the State College area from Philadelphia, where he worked for 10 years.

The Jordans mingled with students and members of the local Jewish community. Most of the students were enthusiastic about Jordan's presence at the event and seemed to enjoy chatting with him.

"It's good to see the president at an event not directly affiliated with the University," said Harris Simkowitz (senior-broadcasting).

"It's an honor to have him here," said Diane Rosen, president of Hillel.

Rosen (junior-communication

disorders) said that she was pleased with the turnout, as was Sharon Kruse (junior-early childhood education). Kruse said the success of the evening "shows that the Jewish community is becoming more actively involved in the University."

Debbie Kane (senior-communications studies) said, "We're proud to have him here because he represents the University itself and I hope his presence will encourage students to look into Hillel."

Mrs. Jordan said that she and her husband enjoyed a close association with Hillel for years in Texas and noted that the organization does "remarkable work".

Rosen presented the Jordans with blue and white Hillel t-shirts. The shirts had "Penn State" written on them in Hebrew and featured a cartoon Nittany Lion wearing a yarmulke.

—Anita Yesho

Corrections

Due to an editing error, Undergraduate Student Government Emil Parvensky was incorrectly quoted in yesterday's Daily Collegian as saying, "You're a victim of the landlord and if I live next door, I'm a victim of the landlord too." The quote should have been attributed to Rita Federaro of the Holmes-Poster Neighborhood Association.

Due to an editing error, it was incorrectly stated in Wednesday's Daily Collegian that Campus Loop passes have been increased by \$5 per year. Passes have been increased by \$35 per year.

Passes will now cost \$40 per semester, or \$80 a year, while passes last year cost \$15 per term, or \$45 a year.

Also, Kim Zaugg was incorrectly identified as Graduate Student Association president. David Azevedo is GSA president, while Zaugg is vice president.

Shamir will be facing labor party opposition

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minor parties that give the Likud its eight-seat majority in the 120-member Knesset, the Israeli Parliament.

Shamir led the anti-British Stern Gang before Israeli independence and later spent 10 years as a secret agent based in Paris for Mossad, the Israeli secret service.

Supporters said before the vote that he was backed by all the

Herut leaders in the Cabinet including Sharon, who has a solid constituency of his own in the party.

Levy, a Moroccan immigrant and former construction laborer, worked for months to secure grass-roots support in the party.

The Herut old guard sought a swift decision in Shamir's favor on Wednesday, but Levy forced the vote in the central committee.

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