Eligibility the issue at Black Caucus debate

Collegian Staff Writer

The Daily Collegian was banned from a Black Caucus debate last night after an argument surfaced regarding the eligibility of prospective candidates for Black Caucus

president. In preparation for the debate, Lorraine Vincent, student member of the **Equal Opportunity Planning Commit-** tee, informed the prospective candidates that their eligibility would be determined by the Black Caucus constitution.

Vincent said before the meeting that she was asked by Black Caucus President Marvin Johnson to present information to the candidates.

According to the constitution, all candidates must be Black Caucus members and must have attended at least two general assembly meetings,

Also, candidates must secure a petition with 100 signatures as well as present a resume and two letters of reference, she said.

Vincent said she believes one of the prospective candidates for president is not a Black Caucus member.

Caucus elections will be held tomorrow, Vincent said. Only Black to Cynthia King, Black Caucus advi-Caucus members are eligible to vote.

The three prospective candidates for president are Chris McDowell, Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity member: Yvonne Kent, director of the minority affairs department of the Undergraduate Student Government; and Gina Louissaint, Black Caucus secretary.

She said anyone who had questions regarding their eligibility should talk

Hearing date changed for University student

The preliminary hearing for David E. Schmidt, who was arrested for various charges including the theft of two electrical engineering exams from the University, has been rescheduled for April 18.

Schmidt had been scheduled to appear before District Magistrate Keith Bierly at 9 a.m. yesterday in the Centre County Courthouse.

A spokeswoman from the district attorney's office in Bellefonte said the hearing was rescheduled because the arresting officer was not available on April 10.

Schmidt's bail was re-set from \$40,000 to \$25,000, the spokeswoman said, but it was not known if he would post the 10 percent necessary to be released from custo-

The time for the hearing was not

established.

—by Leslie Thomas

appoint COBCSG liaison Assembly Academic

Collegian Staff Writer

The Undergraduate Student Government's Academic Assembly passed a motion last night to appoint a liaison to the assembly from the Council of Branch Campus Student Governments.

The liaison would give input and report to COBCSG on legislation concerning Commonwealth campuses.

The motion resulted from a COBCSG proposal requesting a full voting member on the assembly, out-going Academic Assembly President Frank L. Pogue said.

The COBCSG proposal submitted by Eric Choltco, coordinator of COBCSG, also requested that:

- Two ex-officio members be appointed to the
- A full-time assembly committee report to

COBCSG on legislation concerning Commonwealth campus students.

 The assembly work for recruitment and retention of Commonwealth campus students on the colleges' student councils.

Pogue said the liaison would have the responsibility of reporting to COBCSG and would not have a vote in the assembly.

In other business, recently elected Academic Assembly President Thomas Thompson directed discussion on amendments to the proposed USG constitution. Assembly member William Geise motioned to

eliminate the phrase "or currently employed faculty and staff" because members thought it could be worded better. Assembly member John S. Riblet said he did not

think the USG Supreme Court would validate the constitution without the phrase.

However, the assembly passed the motion saying. it would discuss the matter further with the USG

Supreme Court if a problem resulted. The assembly also passed a motion by assembly member J.R. Clark to amend the proposed USG constitution to include voting rights for assembly officers on matters of general business.

In an open discussion at the end of the meeting Thompson said he would like to see the assembly introduce at the meetings more outside speakers to comment on issues the assembly should deal with. 'There are a lot of topics we haven't tapped yet,"

Thompson said. He also said he would like to work with USG to improve quality in teaching and advising by monitoring teachers' and academic advisers' performances. a

"We have never put the kind of pressure on the deans of colleges we could have," Thompson said.

Two found dead in ticketed car

By The Associated Press

LONG BEACH, Calif. — A meter monitor ticketed a car parked on a quiet street and went about her business, thinking the murder-suicide victims slumped in the front seats were asleep, police said yesterday.

The car radio was still playing hours after the ticketing Tuesday when Sima Cohen, 19, of Van Nuys, and Rhonda Guernsey, 22, a Los Angeles-area resident, were found dead of gunshot wounds to their chests, said Sgt. Mike Tracy.

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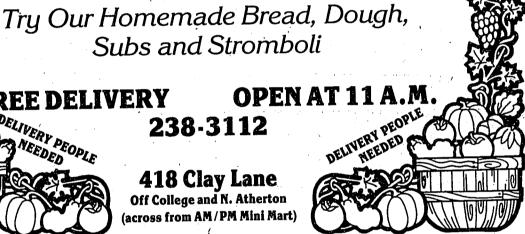
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