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Strategic Long Range Plan Forum brings administration, students together

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However, McNemar said, an English major is entitled to an excellent education just as much as an athlete is entitled to play on the winning sports team. He said sports are an excellent form of recruitment and community.

Jennifer Surber, president-elect of Union, responded, "the purpose of college is education, not athletics." Many students around the room murmured or voiced their agreement.

Several other issues were addressed. "There is the 'problem of increasing the number of students without increasing the number of full-time professors,'" said sophomore Patrick MacDougal. While it is possible to recruit more students to come to Guilford, many of

the existing student body wonder about the resulting academic quality.

Several other students expressed a general unease with the plan. "There is a general sacrifice of the present Guilford community for the future students Guilford is trying to attract," said Senior Megan Glancy. Senior Jacob Noble declared, "You will fail if you outsource Guilford. You will fail if you try to commercialize Guilford. You will fail if you try to give this college a university setting."

Another area of strife is the subject of professors' salaries. "The strength of Guilford is its faculty," Noble said. "If you like the faculty, pay them."

Several attendees expressed

concerns that issues raised at open forums do not really affect policy. "Meetings like this are great, but are our voices really heard?" said sophomore Scott Pryor.

The administrators at the meeting expressed their desire to hear student input. Junior Kelly Davis, the Strategic Long Range Planning Committee student representative, commented that many times students are not able to affect policy because they do not act soon enough. "Many times students voice their opinions when they see the effects instead of before the decisions are made," Davis said.

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dent voice in campus politics. Also present at each of the meetings was a general wish to break down the barriers between the various groups of people on this campus.

There were more nebulous concepts in the discussions, specifically the need for more school spirit and a real sense of owning and taking pride in Guilford. Many times the issues of respect for the campus itself and for other people's property were also raised. The question of how Guilford prepares students for the job market was another con-

cern. Senior Anna Lena Phillips raised the idea of a mediation group between students and faculty and administration. She hopes to construct an override board, which could change decisions made by the administration with a two-thirds vote, just as our national government works.

Students wishing to offer suggestions to the SLRP have several options. Anyone may speak in person to Kelly Davis or Anna Lena Phillips or email them at kdavis or aphillip. Students may also get on the Senate Lotus Notes conference and take part in the discussion there.

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"These weren't things we were expecting to hear," said Carter. "The other thing that surprised us, and we have heard this from two or three of the groups so far, is 'Why not require a few things from us? Mandatory's not bad. If we really have a stake in this community, why not require a certain amount of participation?'"

The Campus Compact is still a long way from fruition, but with the variety and enthusiasm of the response so far, the committee remains thoroughly optimistic.

The Week at Guilford

Friday, March 31st

- ★ Student Loan Fund Auction, 6:30 p.m. at the Painted Plate

Saturday, April 1st

- ★ Smart Moves Career Conference 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Commons and Gallery
- ★ Scrabble Tournament, 6:00 p.m. in the Underground
- ★ Junior recital, 4:00-10:00 p.m. in the Choir room and Dana 104
- ★ Three band concert, 6:00-11:00 p.m. on the Milner/Bryan lawn

Sunday, April 2nd

- ★ Piano recital, 1:00-4:00 p.m. in the Choir room
- ★ WQFS meeting, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Commons

Monday, April 3rd

- ★ Student Employment reception, 3:00-5:00 p.m. in Boren lounge
- ★ *Guilfordian* meeting in the Commons at 7:30 p.m.
- ★ Domestic violence discussion, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Boren lounge

Tuesday, April 4th

- ★ Serendipity meeting, 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Boren lounge
- ★ Peace and Conflict Studies event, 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Gallery

Wednesday, April 5th

- ★ Candidate forum, 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Moon room
- ★ Community Senate, 3:35 p.m., Boren lounge
- ★ Faculty meeting, 3:35 p.m., Moon room

Thursday, April 6th

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- ★ Scrabble club, 7:00 p.m. in the Commons
- ★ Native American club, 5:00 p.m., the Commons
- ★ Bands- Swift and Uncle Lightnin', 10:00-11:30 p.m. on Milner/Bryan lawn
- ★ Capture the Flag, 11:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m. on the Founders Lawn


Friday, April 7th


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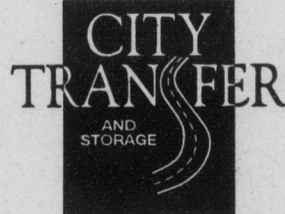
- ★ Bryan Quad dance, 10:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.
- ★ Serendipity2 bands across the street at Just One More

To have your event or meeting appear on the Week at Guilford, submit it outside the publications suite in the box labeled public service announcements. Please turn it in before Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. and mark that it is for the Week at Guilford.

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