

Opinion

System Lacks Organization

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Everyone seems to be screaming for justice and vindication on this campus just to use "the system that works." Speaking as a member of that system, I'd like to call it a system that works if it could only get itself organized. As a member of the Student-Faculty Appellate Court, we are providing the administration the fuel to feed the notion that the court system is inefficient.

According to the (Saltire Section 10b): **The membership of the SFAC shall consist of four students elected at large in a general election from the rising junior and senior classes, one to be appointed chair by the president of the student association with senate confirmation, and three faculty members to be nominated by the senate and approved by the faculty executive committee.**

The Court will have met for the first time on March 8. A chair has not yet been appointed by the SA president with Senate approval although one appellate member has volunteered to fill that position. At the meeting the chair and faculty members will be decided and sent out to be approved by the SA President and Senate.

Last week, one court member had called me with the news that we need to find the faculty members ourselves as soon as possible because a case may be pending anyday now.

I asked SA President Howard Hall about why faculty members had not been appointed before this time. He said that whenever the student Senate tries to find faculty members to be on the Appellate Court, they are either busy or involved in other committees. To solve this problem and it is a problem, Hall mentioned that a proposal was formed to have the Faculty Executive Committee appoint 3 faculty members to the court during the spring term for the following fall.

As for the chair position, Hall said it was "traditionally" the second year student who held it. Currently there are no second-year students on the Court.

The Appellate Court is defined by the Saltire as the **"highest judicial body consisting of students and faculty."** The Court is supposed to receive the appeals from cases tried before the Dean of Students and Honor Court.

According to the Student Forum Minutes that were passed out recently, students are urged to read the 1986-87 Saltire. To quote the pamphlet, "students must implement the system and in order to implement the system they must **know** the system." Apparently, I find a slight contradiction in the system.

Election time is rolling around and once again apathy will rear its ugly head. Remember that these people that you vote for are the people that will run **your** system next year. Choose carefully and remember it's never too late to start a write-in campaign.

A Letter To the Dean Concerning Jim's

I am speaking on my own behalf, and my opinions are not necessarily those of any other students. I am very disappointed concerning your (Dean Greer) action over this Jim's thing. If God had not wanted His children (and this context of children does not mean those under the age of twenty-one) to consume alcoholic beverages, he would not have placed the fruit called 'grape' on this planet. I am very much aware that there are certain individuals who are not capable or competent enough to know when to say 'when', yet I know for a fact that I am one who knows when to say when. And at this point I shall say that I am not the one who wrote anything about you on 'The wall', but we students do not need or want this type of parenting. Lift your edict.

Name withheld by request

From the Counseling Center:

Did You Know?

Alcohol

- is an addictive drug
- causes loss of emotional control
- impairs judgement
- weakens inhibitions
- reduces ability to reason
- interferes with normal brain functions
- slows reaction time
- affects coordination
- hinders concentration
- is related to 1 out of 3 rapes
- is related to 2 out of 3 traffic deaths

