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Student life committee, senate relations subcommittee propose legislative procedure changes

by Betsy Short, Editor

The Student Life Committee/Senate Relations Subcommittee presented its proposals regarding the reorganization of the legislative process at a joint meeting of Senate and Student Life on Tues., March 25.

The Student Life Committee/Senate Relations Subcommittee was formed in January, 1986 to determine the "function" of Senate and Student Life. Its objective was to prevent the overlapping of jurisdiction between the two organizations.

The proposals presented at the joint meeting emphasized a "balance and dis-

inction" of Senate and Student Life.

Several changes in the legislative process were proposed, including:

1. The elimination of the vice chair of Senate from the Student Life Committee.
2. The addition of two voting faculty members to Senate.
3. The addition of a conference committee to be formed after a second veto by Senate, Student Life or a vice president.
4. The origination of legislation in Student Life.
5. The addition of regulation origination in both Senate and Student Life. Senate and Student Life would work

with regulatory regulation proposals (i.e. male visitation or locks on bikes). Student Life would also work with non-regulatory regulations (i.e. academic policy or new bike racks).

6. The regulation proposals which originate in Senate and Student Life must be considered and approved by two-thirds vote of both organizations.
7. If both organizations approve the regulations proposal, then it will be sent to the appropriate vice president for approval.

According to Renee Godwin, student life chair, the Student Life subcommittee voted Jan. 21 to set up a committee comprised of equal Senate and Student Life

members.

The need for this committee grew out of the "overlapping" areas in Senate and Student Life, Godwin said. For example, both Senate and Student Life had been working on the extension of Post Office hours. Previously, Senate worked primarily with legislation and Student Life addressed student concerns. Due to the Senate's broadly defined function, the overlapping has occurred.

"Senate has a lot of potential," Godwin said. "We're trying to develop a legislative/regulative process that more clearly defines the function of Senate so that the Senate and Student Life Committee can work more closely together and the stu-

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Senate investigates possibility of new halls

by Kim Allen, Reporter

Many students at Meredith College have expressed an interest in having a non-smoking hall. The senate has looked into the possibilities of such a hall.

In researching the possibilities of the hall, Barrett Parker, freshman senator, spoke with Dorothy Sizemore, Dean of Students. According to Parker, Sizemore expressed an interest in having a quiet hall.

If students show enough interest in the two halls then the idea will be explored.

If the students choose to live on such a hall, the entire hall would not be non-smoking, as Parker explained, "Just the parlor would be non-smoking."

Meetings are being held to see how much interest there is. The meeting for the non-smoking hall will be held Wed., April 2, at 5:15 p.m. in the Freshmen Center on first floor Vann. The meeting for students who are interested in the quiet hall will be held at 5:30 p.m.

There must be 50 or more interested students at the meetings in order to have the halls. "If there is not enough interest, the idea will be dropped," Parker said.

Room deposit funds place in maintenance funds

by Kim Allen, Reporter

Students at Meredith College are charged a \$50 room deposit fee for each year. The money, if not returned, is placed in the maintenance fund to replace or to fix the damaged item.

Charles Taylor, vice president of business and finance, said that except for two phones there were no damage fees charged last year. "We are trying to prevent substantial damage to the rooms," Taylor said.

According to Taylor, instead of going through the process of returning the money each year and having the students pay again in the fall, the money is transferred to the next year's deposit.

If a damage fee is charged, the student is asked to build the fund back up to \$50.

Students who will be leaving Meredith this spring are the only ones who will receive their money from the past year. Taylor said the process would take approximately two weeks after the students leave. The two weeks are spent inspecting the rooms and processing the checks.

Third slate elections results posted

by Carlissa Oakley, Reporter

Third slate elections were held March 18. The results are as follows:

Senior Class Officers for 1986-87:

President: Carmel Swanson
Vice President: Mary Scott Edmundson
Secretary: Michelle Baker
Treasurer: Stephanie Gay
Historian: Joy Terry
Senators: Jeanne Coleman, Anne Living, Valerie McCray
Honor Council Representatives: Harriet Huggins, Carlissa Oakley
Marshals: Connie Compton, Penelope Jarvis

Cornhuskin' Chair: Karen Mann

Junior Class Officers for 1986-87

President: Adrienne Gore
Vice-President: Michelle Lenhart
Secretary: To be appointed
Treasurer: Debbie Parrott
Historian: To be appointed

Senators: Roxanne George, Cathy Manning, Karen Peoples

Honor Council Representatives: Valerie Bland, Sara Beth Fulford
Marshals: Jennifer Short, April Wall
Cornhuskin' Co-Chairs: Beth Ashton, Beth Shannon

Sophomore Class Officers for 1986-87

President: Leah Williams
Vice-President: Allison Tucker
Secretary: Casey Bass
Treasurer: Laura Trollinger
Historian: To be appointed
Senators: Wendy Langston, Mary Ann Lisenba, Jenny Macon
Honor Council Representatives: Mollie Ashe, Kimberly May
Cornhuskin' Co-Chairs: Amber Burris, Sue Holec

The slate system has been questioned recently and is being reviewed by the elections board, according to Pam Vann, co-chair of the elections board.

"We really need to reduce the number of offices on second slate," Vann commented.

Asked why the slates were arranged as they are, Vann said that they were originally set up that way and had never been

changed.

This reporter tried to obtain statistics and percentages of third slate elections from the Dean of Students' office but was unable to do so.



Pam Vann, co-chair of elections board, delivers speech at convention.

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