

Senate asks student, faculty board members

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A resolution calling for a student and faculty member on the Board of Directors was passed by the Student Senate Thursday night with no debate and only two dissenting votes.

The only words said about the proposal made by Mark Blakemore (Geosciences) dealt with changing the words Student Senate President to Student Body President. The lack of debate caught John Sharp, senate president, well off guard, giving him a slightly confused appearance as he called several times for debate. A call for the question from several members led to the vote.

Also passed without debate was a resolution calling for a letter to be sent to the Texas Legislature supporting a bill creating

positions on state boards for students and faculty. The bill would have the same effect as the resolution.

The proposed constitution was also considered at the meeting, especially the part about apportionment.

The only major change dealt with the apportionment of senators from the Corps of Cadets. The constitution now call for a minimum of six representatives from the Corps of Cadets with any others to be elected at large. The others would come from an increase in the size of the Corps.

The earlier plan called for each sophomore, junior, and senior class in the Corps to have an equal number of senators. Each class was to have at least two senators and apportionment was to be done on a one to 500 ratio.

The problem created came from the phrase, "an equal number of senators." The population would have had to be increased by 1,500 in the Corps if an equitable increase was to take place. Otherwise difficulties would have arisen as soon as the population increased or decreased by 500, or just enough for one senator.

Objecting most strenuously to both proposals was Bruce Clay, public relations chairman.

According to population figures, Clay said, the corps has less than 2,500 members or enough for just five senators using the one to 500 ratio provided for. Giving the Corps six senators would lead to an over representation of one senator, he said.

Clay also objected to the way increases would have to be made by threes every time the popula-

tion of the Corps increased.

The reason for this is that the apportionment to the Corps of Cadets is made on a class basis, unlike the civilian representation. The fact that the corps is structured on a class basis rather than living area was the reason given at the meeting for the difference.

If each class was to be represented equally, as had been called for, the population would have had to increase by 1,500 before additions could be made, or each increase of 500 would have to be worked out separately.

Clay proposed that instead of having two members from each class and the rest elected at large that the senate should change it to one representative from each class with the rest elected at large.

This would eliminate the prob-

lem of one extra senator, Clay said, plus provide for a class system and leave it open for expansion in case of population increases.

Though initially receiving support, the issue fell by the wayside when it was pointed out that tentative forecasts for next year would probably give civilian representation an extra as well.

Civilians will probably have ten or eleven senators.

The reapportionment plan tentatively call for civilian representation to be divided between paired halls. A suggested apportionment plan put together by the constitution committee calls for the following scheme of representation.

Civilian
Law and Puryear, one; Keath-

ley and Hughes, one; Davis-Gary and Moses, one; Henderson and Fowler, one; Moore and Crocker, one; McInnis and Schumacher, one; Walton and Hotard, one; Leggett and Hart, one; Civilians in Corps dorms, one; and new dormitory, two.

Figures used to calculate the representation are from last semester.

Corps
Corps representation would be two sophomores, two juniors and two seniors.

Off-Campus
University apartments, two; and remaining off-campus students shall elect 16 senators by classification.

Colleges
The colleges are represented by 50 senators divided up on a percentage basis.

Agriculture would have nine, Architecture — three, Business — four, Education — five, Engineering — 12, Geoscience — two, Liberal Arts — five, Science — six, Veterinary Medicine — four. Jack Carey (ex-officio-Corps) said that to treat the Corps by population representation would be wrong when in reality it is an entity of its own. The Corps should be treated as a whole because it has a policy of its own, he said.

Carey felt that the best possibility lay with sticking with the current constitution.

Also questioned at the meeting was the veto power of the president over Student Senate legislation. According to the constitution the president of the student body can veto any legislation by (See Senate, page 2)

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THIS SLUMBERING SEAL has taken advantage of an opportunity that most of us rarely have: to get away from it all. The pseudo-carefree desert island is a metal marker

buoy floating in the harbor off San Diego, Calif. (AP Wire-photo)

Of top 78

A&M's library 75th in rating

The A&M Library ranks 75th out of the top 78 university libraries in total number of volumes, according to a recently published report by the Association of Research Libraries.

The association annually lists certain statistics such as the total number of volumes, number of volumes added, staff, and total operating expenses of its members, which are the 78 largest academic libraries in the nation.

"We are one of the smaller libraries in the association and therefore rank near the bottom of the statistics, but we are in direct competition with the biggest and best in the country, like Harvard," said Library Director John B. Smith.

The report is used as a guide for libraries to make a comparison between their operation and others.

This year's statistics show the library with 716,260 total vol-

umes, up nearly 57,000 from last year. A&M ranked 71st in total staff with 111. Total operating expenses were \$1,487,490.

"If we continue to progress at our present rate, we will move up considerably in the rating next year," said Smith. "But we can only move up so far. We are competing with older institutions who have had strong library programs for many years, some for over a hundred."

Other Texas schools in the rat-

ings are Texas University and Rice. Texas ranks 15th in total volumes with 2,427,062, and 8th in total expenses with \$5,993,720. Rice has 713,778 volumes ranking 76th, and ranks 76th in total expenses with \$1,195,054.

The number one school in the ratings is Harvard. Harvard's total number of volumes is 8,451,187. The total expenses were \$8,718,848.

The Association of Research Libraries is a select group with membership by invitation only. A&M has been a member since 1963. The Association does research into administration of large libraries, lobbies for favorable legislation and collects helpful information for its members in addition to publishing statistics.

"It is quite an honor for us to belong to this organization because only the best, most prestigious libraries are asked to join," commented Smith.

All reserve-type seats sold for A&M-Tech bout Saturday

Reserve seats for Saturday's A&M-Texas Tech basketball game in G. Rollie White Coliseum have been sold out.

Sports Information Director Spee Gammon said Thursday that general admission tickets will be sold beginning at 5:15 Saturday afternoon. He emphasized that only fans with reserved seats are guaranteed admission to the game.

Many Indochina MIA's are dead, official claims

WASHINGTON (AP)—A State Department official acknowledged Thursday that many Americans missing in Indochina are dead. His statement to a House subcommittee drew an angry reaction from the mother of a downed American pilot.

"We recognize, of course, that many of the men listed as missing in Indochina are almost certainly dead," said William H. Sullivan, deputy assistant secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific affairs.

While cautioning that no one

except the North Vietnamese really know how many of the over 1,600 military men the United States says are captured or missing are really dead, Sullivan said the government keeps track of the names of men who are probably dead and notifies their families.

Pilots in other planes sometimes report that no parachute was opened when a U.S. jet goes down, and rescue planes sometimes find a "high probability" that a pilot did not survive, Sullivan said.

Mrs. Donald Shay, of Linthicum, Md., did not dispute that some of the missing are dead but said Sullivan's saying so only causes more grief for their families.

Mrs. Shay, mother of Air Force Capt. Donald Shay Jr. and an assistant national coordinator of the National League of American Servicemen Captured or Missing in Southeast Asia, called Sullivan's remarks "a terrible thing to say."

SCONA delegates appointed

A&M's 32 delegates to the 17th Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA) have been named by President Jack K. Williams.

Selected to represent all classes, graduate and international students, the TAMU delegates will participate with students from throughout the U. S. in the Feb. 16-19 conference at the Memorial Student Center.

Addresses and roundtable sessions will deal with social, government, economic, business, political, national policy and inter-

national aspects of "The Impact of the University."

Background information is provided delegates through research reports from the Library of Congress.

Among speakers are Senator John Tower, Joseph P. Cosand of the Office of Education; "Establishment Maverick" Joseph Rhodes Jr.; Dr. Lawrence Fournaker, Harvard business dean, and Dr. Earl McGrath of Temple University.

A&M delegates were selected through interviews arranged for the president by Dean of Students James P. Hannigan.

International student delegates are Sohail Aslam of West Pakistan; Fernando Giannetti, Argentina; Jibril Hannaney, Iraq; Brian Marshall, Australia; Ram Misra, India; Uwe Schulz, Germany; Mojtaba Yazdi, Iran, and Shariq Jousfzai, East Pakistan.

Representing TAMU graduate students are Edwin A. Chauncey, Lubbock; Ronald V. Crabtree, Dallas; Glenn E. Head, Richardson; Ray Quinn, Minneapolis, Minn., and Esteban Salinas, Westlaco.

Senior participants are Marla F. Pollack, Miami Beach, Fla.; Paul E. Turner, Livingston; Mau-

reen Turk, Terre Haute, Ind., and Thomas P. Vick, Bryan.

Junior delegates to SCONA XVII are Wayne E. DeVaughn, Julia A. McCall, Shannon D. McKinney, Paul T. Gibson and John B. Willis, Houston; Layne E. Kruse, McGregor, and Don A. Webb, Arlington.

From the class of '74 are Karen Y. Haws, Austin; Randle R. Ross, San Antonio; Barbara B. Sears, Columbia, Mo., and Scott D. Steffler, Houston.

Freshmen delegates are Thomas H. Boothe, Converse; Craig C. Brown and John D. Nash, Houston, and Steven J. Eberhard, New Braunfels.

Honorary delegates are Student Senate President John Sharp, Civilian Student Council President Gordon Pilmer, Corps Commander Thomas Stanley and MSC Council President John Dacus.

Alternates include freshmen Shirley Ashorn of San Antonio and Thamos Walker of Dallas; sophomores Mark Blakemore, Richmond, Ky., and Jack McNeely, Lubbock; junior David Stockard, Meridian; vet medicine student Perry Lee Reeves, Temple Hills, Md., and graduate students Rose Marie Hicks, Bryan, and John B. Cheatham, San Marcos.

"Hard truth" film coming

A documentary filmed hailed as "the stinging, hard incredible truth" will be shown Friday, Feb. 11, at A&M by the Black Awareness Committee of the Memorial Student Center.

"King" is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom, announced Black Awareness Chairman Marvin L. Bridges.

The film is an account of the activities of the late Dr. Martin Luther King for equality, justice and peace. It consists of newsreel and television footage only. Without narration or editorial comment, the film covers civil rights campaigns from 1955 to 1968, beginning with the Montgomery, Ala., bus boycott that propelled Dr. King into prominence and ending with his funeral.

Bridges said area citizens as well as TAMU students and faculty-staff are urged to see the BAC-sponsored film. Tickets are

75 cents for students with activity cards and \$1 for all others.

Tickets may be obtained at the Student Program Office in the MSC, or from Cecil Nutall (845-5396) or William Grays (845-5975).

Included in the footage are lunch counter sit-ins and Freedom Rides of the '60s, Birmingham desegregation struggles met with police dogs and fire hoses, the voter registration drive that culminated with the Selma March, Chicago's open housing campaign, the nation-wide Poor People's Campaign and the Memphis sanitation workers' strike.

The "King" soundtrack re-experiences his sermons "I Have A Dream" and "I Have Been to the Mountain Top." Music of the civil rights marchers occupies much of the track, which includes voices of the late Mahalia Jackson and Odetta.

Continuity is derived from readings such as the Bible and Langston Hughes by actors Harry Belafonte, Ruby Dee, Ben Gazzara, Charlton Heston, James Earl

Jones, Burt Lancaster, Paul Newman, Anthony Quinn, Clarence Williams III and Joanne Woodward.

First shown simultaneously in 300 cities on March 24, 1970, "King" is the product of a wide range of contributions. Motion picture industry leaders donated facilities and services, all major newsreel and TV companies donated footage, film labs waived fees, advertising and public relations companies contributed services and owners provided theaters without cost for the nation-wide, one-night-only benefit. Church groups of all denominations publicized the event and sold tickets.

Audiences were enthusiastic and, with rare unanimity, so were the critics. "King" was nominated for an Academy Award as the best documentary of the year.

"If film is a mirror," Ellen Holly wrote in the New York Times, "we should all see it, for, black or white, we will never look and see ourselves that beautiful or that innocent again."

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Friday — Clear to partly cloudy. Winds light and variable. High 48°, low 24°.

Saturday — Partly cloudy to cloudy. Southerly winds 10-12 mph. High 56°, low 33°.