

Accrediting Group To Analyze, Critique Self-Study Program

Thirty-eight educators representing the regional accrediting agency, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, will be on the A&M campus March 18-21 to evaluate the university as part of its reaccreditation project.

In preparation for the visit, A&M has just completed a two-year self-study, which is conducted as an integral part of the reaccreditation process.

Every 10 years each SACS member school is required to apply for reaccreditation and conduct a self-study. A&M last underwent the process in 1963.

Associate Liberal Arts Dean Charles E. McCandless, who coordinated the current self-study, said publications compiled during

the 1963 self-study were of little assistance because of the tremendous changes at A&M during the past decade.

"We feel our present report is more intensive because at the time of inception, A&M had a new president," said McCandless. "He pointed out the study would be of personal benefit for him and could also be used to let faculty and students help better the purpose of the university."

A five member Steering Committee set the guidelines for the self-study program by creating 11 university-wide committees. These committees cover areas of purpose, organization and administration; faculty, student per-

sonnel, research, educational program, financial resources, physical facilities, library, graduate program; and special activities (those activities without college credit).

Under these areas came reports from independent colleges, including the Moody College in Galveston, various departments and areas of student life.

Dr. Robert W. Barzak, associate professor of English, served as general editor for the array of publications generated by the self-study.

"In the basic 11 university committees over 200 faculty and students were involved," said Barzak. "Also, most of the underlying committees followed the

basic 11 areas as guidelines to their reports."

The 11 basic committees compose the first phase of the study where the view was toward the university as a whole. The other committees and areas of study created the second phase which entailed a detailed examination of each of these components.

The Steering Committee asked the deans of the 10 college areas to appoint a coordinator and editor to manage the internal studies and to generate a series of reports from each unit as well as an overall component report.

"Overview," the publication summing up the entire university, shows a distillation of what has been achieved, according to

McCandless. The book emphasizes that the basic guiding behind the self-study program was not only to provide the information needed by the visiting team studying the University but also to create a "set of self-contained, separately bound documents that could be used locally for planning and improvement beyond the immediate need to meet SACS requirements."

"The visiting team hopefully will recommend that our accreditation be endorsed," said Barzak. "The team will not only evaluate us, but also act much like consultants. They're here to help us as much as to check us out."

"Some team members will certainly want to talk to students

about both the educational and student life aspects of A&M life."

Barzak also said the visiting team would have a free hand around the university, going and doing exactly as they pleased. Dr. Herman E. Spivey from the University of Florida will be the chairman of the SACS visiting team.

Members of the Steering Committee who helped determine the direction of the program were Dr. C. H. Samson, Dr. K. C. Brundage, Prof. J. B. Beckham, Dr. J. C. Martin and Dr. A. M. Sorensen.

A display of the self-study material is in the library and two copies of "Overview" are in the Reserve Room.

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New Sbsisa Policy Hurting

Waiters May Strike

Senator Elections Delayed

A threat of no waiters working in Sbsisa Dining Hall Friday was looming over Food Services Director Col. Fred Dollar's head this morning.

"We're not getting a fair shake as far as policy-making goes," complained Sbsisa headwater Tom Moore to The Battalion Wednesday night. "As far as the type of work we're doing, everything's fine. But it's getting to where a waiter can't get a drink of water without quitting his job to do it."

Controversy involving the waiters seems to be stemming from a policy revision handed down by

Dollar on Tuesday which said that the waiters would have to work according to a set schedule, one which would allow almost no flexibility in allowing for tests and studies.

Dollar told The Battalion that at this time he can't see any problems involved with his policy and that it is a management problem. He said he is just trying to get his department's operation more businesslike.

"I've never worked at a place where waiters could just come and go as they please," said Dollar. "Perhaps our procedures have gotten a little loose over the

years. I don't want to be unreasonable in scheduling waiters for working hours."

Moore said it "amazes him that Col. Dollar can be the nicest person in the world to outsiders and then make a 180-degree turn-about when dealing with his staff." Moore added that Dollar tends to just "shake-off" the waiters at Sbsisa.

He noted that the strike is only intended as a last resort, if the waiters can't get satisfaction any other way. Moore said the major problem for the waiters is they have no bargaining power with Dollar and the only way to get attention is through something like a strike.

The headwaiter went on to explain that most of the men working with him were in need of money and are very versatile in their jobs as the system is set up now.

"Some students need to work more than what they are present-

ly doing and some less," said Moore. He added that it was a year ago February that any student waiter got a raise in pay.

Moore pointed the finger to one of Dollar's assistants, who he said was "stirring things up. He doesn't like the system and is taking the friendly atmosphere away from the dining hall."

The waiters are scheduled to meet with Food Services Department's representatives tonight. Moore said a strike Friday would be "purely a last resort if no bargaining power is gained through the meeting."

If no waiters showed up Friday, he said that a maximum of four of five lines could be opened without them but that would leave no one to wash the dishes.

"We'll go through the proper channels first," said Moore. "Only Col. Dollar can change the policy and up until now he hasn't talked to anyone about the issue."

Dunn, Henderson-Fowler and Keathley-Hughes senator elections have been postponed until the fall semester. The decision was made Sunday night by the Election Board Committee and unanimously approved by the Student Senate Executive Committee, according to Steve Vincent, election board chairman.

"If the election was held this semester at least 50 per cent of the constituents would not have any voice in the election of their senator," said Vincent.

For example, the first two floors of Dunn will be all male next year, Keathley-Hughes will be all girls and Fowler of the Henderson-Fowler area will be all girls.

"The candidates for these positions were notified Sunday and have been given the opportunity

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"GET GROADY, ARMY!" might look like the thoughts of this ancient-looking Aggie yell leader, but it's really Christopher Columbus as depicted on the wall of the Capitol in Washington, D. C. (Photo by Mike Rice)

Athletic Dept. Cut Proposed

Senate Considers Fee Division

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The question of how much money to allocate to the A&M Athletic Department from the 1973-74 Student Services Fee Budget will highlight the Student Senate meeting at 7:30 tonight in Room 102 of the Zachry Engineering Center.

"The committee will recommend an allocation of \$135,000 from the Student Services fees with a partial user fee for the athletic department," said Virginia Ehrlich, Senate treasurer. "This is a reduction of \$107,000 from its original request for \$242,000."

In the 1971-72 academic year only \$89,000 was allocated to the Athletic Department. This figure increased 91 per cent to \$170,000 for 1972-73.

The proposed combination Student Services fees and user fee would be similar to the Shuttle Bus finance system. One dollar would be collected from each person for each of the five home football games he attended. Home games for other sports would require an activity card.

"The money collected during

football season will be used for all of the sports," said Ehrlich. "In talking to Wally Groff, Athletic Department business manager, he seemed to be in favor of the combination financial plan."

Normally \$11.28 is allocated from each student's \$60 Student Service fee payment per year for athletics. With a combination pay plan, only \$8.40 out of each \$60 would go to sports. Based on 16,000 students paying a \$5 user fee, the total comes to \$13.48 which is a \$2.12 increase per year per student, according to Ehrlich.

There are two other options concerning the allocation of money to the Athletic Department. The \$242,000 could be paid for completely with either Student Services fees or a user fee. "We are waiting for the Memorial Student Center Student Programs and the MSC Facilities-Local budgets before we can present a complete budget proposal to the Senate," said Ehrlich.

The committee will work through the holidays in order to make up two separate budget plans to present to the Senate in its March 22 meeting. One pro-

posal will include the hospital fee while the other proposal will not.

"There is a possibility that the Student Services fees without the hospital fee could range anywhere from \$15 to \$18," continued Ehrlich. "Students should contact their senators and let them know how they feel on the matter."

Senators will continue to discuss the Student Services fees at the March 22 meeting. According to Student Government President Layne Kruse, a special Senate meeting may be called March 27 to vote on the proposal.

In other action, Student Senators will vote on the establishment of a publication to inform the general campus of current student affairs.

The proposal, presented to the Senate at the March 1 meeting by Debi Blackmon (off-campus-undergrad.), asks for the allocation of \$7,205 from the 1972-73 Student Services reserve fund.

The publication would be based on a magazine format divided into a literary, a student affair and a student advising section. It

would be published five times yearly with approximately 25 pages.

The constitutional revisions that were tabled 32 to 24 with two abstentions at the March 1 meeting will be brought before the Senate again for vote. Another part of the constitution will be discussed.

The revisions include wording and clarification problems covering the method of approving appointments to election of all offices by majority vote to make the recorder and corresponding secretary appointed positions.

Tessies End Student Y's Manners Panel

Four Texas Women's University coeds, including Becky McCreery, last year's Aggie Sweetheart, closed out the fourth and final student "Y" Viewpoint Panel Wednesday night.

The four Tessies discussed "The Steps to Marriage" in their presentation and answered questions from the audience, which included 48 Corp members with only a handful of civilians.

The coeds divided the subject into being "dropped" and promise rings; being pinned; engagement; and the wedding.

"If you don't have the money for an engagement ring, then I think a pin is fine," said McCreery. "A pin can mean a lot to some girls."

Dismissing promise rings as "high school stuff," Jo Ann Davis explained that being "dropped" was receiving a necklace or a drop, with the school insignia. "It's not like being dumped or anything."

"If I got a ring," said McCreery, "I wouldn't care if I could see the diamond. If I love somebody and I want to spend the rest of my life with him, then nobody is going to stop me. I'm just the kind of person that if I want to do something, then I'm going to do it."

McCreery gave her opinion on the Aggie Sweetheart. "It meant so much to the girls at TWU, but I can understand the feelings of the girls down here. I'm glad that it is not divided between TWU and the Maggies anymore."

BAC Group Plans Activities For Black Experience Week

Black Experience III will present a sampling of Black American culture and heritage to A&M students March 19-25.

Planned performances by Mance Lipscomb, "Soul Food Day," a dance featuring the Chocolate Glass Band of Houston and a worship service in All Faiths Chapel.

Mance Lipscomb, a blues and folk musician, will return on Tuesday due to popular demand in a performance at 8 p.m. in the

Memorial Student Center Ballroom along with local talent from A&M and A&M Consolidated H.S. Last year nearly 100 "jived and finger-popped" to his tunes and lyrics while thoroughly enjoying the humor of this 78 year old native of Central Texas, said Morvin Bridges. Discovered nationally about 13 years ago, "Daddy Mance" has toured the U.S. and played concerts at numerous colleges. Admission is 50 cents per person.

Wednesday, educator Dr. J. Don Boney, presently chief instructional officer for Houston Public School District, will speak in the MSC Assembly Room at 8 p.m. The former College of Education associate dean at the University of Houston recently made front page news in Houston, saying that "if you don't cool down the schools and get some order, nothing is going to happen educationally" and thus declaring security top school priority instead of reading. Dr. Boney, also a certified psychologist, will lecture on education and its relevancy to the black experience in the admission-free preservation.

A&M's dining halls will observe "Soul Food Day" Wednesday, also. The evening meal will include chitterlings, barbecue spare ribs, hamhocks, collard greens and sweet potato pie among other menu items.

The BAC is negotiating with the Texas Southern University Jazz Band for a Thursday night performance.

Friday at 8 p.m. the Chocolate Glass Band will provide rhythmbues and rock music at the Knights of Columbus Ballroom on Leonard Road in Bryan. The 10-piece Houston-based group is considered to be among the best in Texas. Tickets are \$2.50 per person and will be available at MSC Student Programs Office or from BAC members during the week.

A Worship Service in All Faiths Chapel will wind up Black Experience III Sunday.

A host of exhibits on loan from the Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio will be available for viewing during the entire week in the MSC lobby. Black heroes of the Revolution, the Buffalo Soldiers, the 9th and 10th Regiments, Hugh McElroy, great-grandfather of former Aggie football player of same name, are a part of the exhibit.

University National Bank "On the side of Texas A&M." Adv.

3 Lobby In Austin For Rights

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A&M students Mike Ehrlich, Steve Eberhard, and Curt Marsh got their first experience as lobbyists Tuesday in Austin.

The three lobbied for a bill submitted by Sen. Bob Gammage, D-Houston, for full legal rights of eighteen-year-olds.

Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan, is leading a filibuster against the bill. Moore, along with Tom Creighton, D-Mineral Wells, and Don Adams, D-Jasper, have a total of 32 amendments against the bill.

All three senators protested the bill when it was introduced Thursday.

The three A&M students went to speak to senators who were undecided on the bill. They also wanted to speak to Moore, since he represents this area.

Moore is filibustering against the bill because he could not "live with himself" if he didn't, said Ehrlich.

Moore said that he couldn't picture himself at 18, or his son

now, as responsible enough to have full legal rights.

"The contract clause is the big issue," said Ehrlich. "That's what most of the senators are worried about."

Another factor in the senators' decisions is a recent poll of the University of Texas at Austin campus which showed that most of the students did not support the bill.

Gammage was one of the senators approached by Ehrlich. Gammage requested that representatives from A&M come to Austin and present their views.

"We told the senators that an 18-year-old at college has already accepted a lot of responsibility," Ehrlich said.

"It's a two-way deal," Ehrlich continued, "a person won't be responsible if he doesn't have to." The Aggie lobbyists also talked to Sen. O. H. Harris, who was undecided on the bill.

Other senators contacted were Sen. John A. Traeger, who is against the bill, Sen. Payton McKnight, and Sen. Mike McKen-

nan. Sen. Jack Ogg is for the bill, as is Sen. A. P. Schwartz, Class of '45 at A&M.

The Aggies also talked to former student Bruce Clay, now a staff assistant in Lieutenant Governor Bill Hobby's office. Clay said he might be able to break up the filibuster by talking to Moore.

"Moore might have been shaken up when three Aggies came into his office to talk about his being against the bill," said Ehrlich.

"We would probably have been more effective if the vote had been taken Tuesday," Ehrlich added.

The Senate originally voted to postpone the vote until Tuesday after Creighton had talked for 30 minutes.

Gammage then proposed that the vote be postponed until next Monday, after Creighton tried similar tactics Tuesday.

The A&M students plan to return to Austin Monday to talk to more senators before the vote is taken.