

Students' voting on Athletic Council viewed negatively

Senate resolution opposed by Pres. Williams, Council head Samson

By VICKIE ASHWILL
Student representation on the TAMU Athletic Council seems to have a dim future in the administration.

Student Senators approved Bill 35-11 by a majority vote Wednesday night, asking for the appointment of two voting student members and two student alternatives to the Athletic Council.

TAMU President Jack K. Williams said that the Athletic Council is not the kind of thing an annual appointment of students can help.

"The council deals with the jobs and salaries of 17 individuals," continued Williams. "It may be a game to some people, but it

is not to them.

"The council is totally unlike any other university committee," said Williams. "They must work under the rules and enforcements of the Southwest conference."

Williams said he saw no objection to students being present to the privileges of the floor but he was not going to put students in the position to deal with jobs, salaries and lives.

Student Government Vice President Shariq Yosufzai, sponsor of the bill, said the basic reasoning behind the proposal is that students are already involved in all other phases of student activity.

Yosufzai said there is already an advisory student board to the

Athletic Council but felt this was a "quasi-vote."

"If a person is capable of advice then he should be given the power to put teeth in that," continued Yosufzai. "We don't want a liaison but an active voice."

Dr. Charles Samson, Athletic Council chairperson, spoke to the Senate on the topic. Samson said some of the more important topics discussed by the council include faculty salaries and jobs, ticket prices and athletic facilities.

"The council discusses some delicate areas," said Samson. "These include personnel salaries. I try to guard these very carefully. I feel this is an area I am

concerned about, especially if something less than great care handles it."

Samson said there was good communication with the advisory board and that the council is sincere in its efforts to communicate with the students.

Yosufzai said the objection that students aren't responsible enough to handle delicate matters was totally unwarranted.

"Several students sat in on the picking of Dr. Koldus for vice president for student services," said Yosufzai. "Most other universities already have students on their athletic councils."

University of Oklahoma, University of Michigan, UCLA, Uni-

versity of Texas and LSU are a few of the schools with students on the council.

"Matters of a business nature in the Athletic Council can be discussed in as an effective a manner with two students present," said Yosufzai.

Student Senators noted that approximately 11 per cent of the Athletic Council budget comes from students services fees. Last year the Athletic Department received \$170,000 from activity fees and the Senate Student Services Fee Allocations Committee is recommending that \$195,000 be allocated to the department next fall.

SG President Randy Ross said

there were pros and cons to the issue, but he felt the pros outweighed the cons.

"Students are very responsible," said Ross. "You might say they are sworn bound not to talk about items discussed in closed sessions."

Council members seemed to want to leave the decision up to the Board of Directors and the president. Four of the five said they would do their best to work with whomever was appointed to the council.

Council member Dr. Lannes Hope summed it up when he said, "I'm moderately sympathetic to the students, but the mechanics are pretty hairy."

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Weather

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Goodby to Prairie View?

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Words to the Aggie War Hymn may soon read "Goodby to Prairie View A&M" if the Constitutional Convention in Austin decides to remove Prairie View from the TAMU System.

"A large number of inquiries have been received by my office requesting that Prairie View A&M University be provided with a separate Board of Regents," said State Representative Dan Kubiak, chairman of the Education Committee of the Convention.

The issue of a separate Board of Regents was discussed during the Constitutional Revision Commission hearings held over the preceding nine months, Kubiak said. "The Commission did not

recommend any change in the present board arrangement," he said.

Bill Presnal, state representative from Bryan, said there is a small group that wants to control Prairie View without going through the TAMU System.

"A small splinter group within the Prairie View alumni is pushing for a separate Board of Regents," Presnal said. "They are a group of misguided individuals."

An advocate of the University System, Presnal said it would be a great mistake to remove Prairie View from the system. "I hate to see Prairie View go downhill," he said.

Representatives Paul Ragsdale of Dallas and Senfronia Thompson of Houston issued a statement Tuesday saying

Prairie View A&M had been slighted in the TAMU System's allocation of bond proceeds backed by the Permanent University Fund. Since 1959, the main university has received \$35.7 million while Prairie View has received \$6.4 million, they said.

"This continuing fiscal strangulation of Prairie View A&M has the same end product as overt racism," their statement said.

The Board of Regents probably gives priority to one or two schools in the system while the other schools suffer, Rep. Ragsdale said.

"Prairie View has been treated like a stepchild for too long," he said. "A separate Board of Regents would be more concerned about the school itself."

An assistant to Rep. Thompson said, "As it stands now, the University of Texas gets two-thirds of the Permanent University Fund and Texas A&M gets one-third. Rep. Thompson wants a separate Board of Regents for Prairie View with the TAMU System receiving one-sixth of the fund and Prairie View receiving one-sixth."

Dr. Alvin I. Thomas, President of Prairie View A&M University, said, "The Permanent University Fund allocation to Prairie View A&M University for 1958-1977 was \$2,660,000 more than if the university were under the ad-valorem tax program."

Thomas said the Board of Directors has a keen and vital interest in making (See GOODBYE, page 2)



A BRONZE STATUE from the Sid W. Richardson collection is eyeballed by a rapt TAMU student. The statue is one of several being displayed, along with 71 paintings by Frederick Remington and Charles M. Russell, in the J. Earl Rudder Center exhibits hall. (Photo by Kathy Curtis)

Shuttle bus route No. 2 to stay same

Shuttle bus Route Two, originally scheduled to change Monday morning, will remain as it is, says Dean Powell. Residents along the route asked Powell not to change the route and a special meeting of the shuttle bus committee was called yesterday to reconsider the plan.

University National Bank
"On the side of Texas A&M."
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Entertainment set for weekends

Student entertainment was the main topic when the Resident Hall Association discussed its upcoming activities.

A series of films will be provided on weekends. T. Gettermann, association president, said individual dorms may rent them to be shown in their lounges.

The films include "Where Eagles Dare," "Candy," "Hotel," "Wait Until Dark," "The Boston Strangler," and a Tarzan and W. C. Fields festival.

RHA Weekend has been scheduled for April 19, 20 and 21 to correspond with Muster.

"The musical group has been confirmed," said Gettermann. "We are cooperating with Town Hall to get Loggins and Messina. The concert will be in G. Rollie White Gymnasium but we don't know if it will be Friday or Saturday yet."

Gettermann said Casino night would again be sponsored. "Several gambling tables will be set up in the MSC Ballroom and packets of play money will be for sale. That's enough to play a night of roulette and cards."

"At the end we have an auction with the play money. The auction has been for a bike, a TV, a tape player or something similar."

New paper money will have to be printed, Gettermann said. The bills left from last year with pictures of Coach Emory Ballard. Dean James Hannigan and President Jack K. Williams may not be used again this year.

"We may also need some new equipment," said Gettermann. "It was stored in Milner Hall and I think the roaches ate some of the felt off the tables."

Revision round-up

AUSTIN, (AP) — The "untouchable" first article of a new constitution was given preliminary approval by the Texas Constitutional Convention Thursday, 165-0.

It is the same preamble and 32-item Bill of Rights found in the present state constitution.

When the 1971 legislature and the voters called for the convention, they said the Bill of Rights could not be changed.

Other committees continued hearing testimony on various articles.

Mrs. Marietta Brooks of Austin urged the General Provisions Committee to make it harder to get a divorce, saying the 1971 no-fault divorce law "makes divorce so easy and so tempting."

"It is the good wife and the good mother that suffers, not usually the tramp," Mrs. Brooks said.

Rep. Joe Pentony, D-Houston, attempted to rebut testimony before the Education Committee that the Permanent University Fund should belong solely to the University of Texas and TAMU systems because it contributes to academic excellence.

Pentony gave the committee a list Thursday of 90 expenditures from the available University Fund over the past two years by the UT system administration. The items, which he said represented only a sampling, totaled \$470,000.

These included such things as ash trays for the chancellor's office, flower pots for the chancellor's house and cases of paper towels and toilet paper.

He recommended turning the fund over to the Texas College Coordinating Board for distribution of its income to schools that need it most.

EEOC rules chance of bias in Stadelman tenure case

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The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has decided there is a case of possible sex discrimination at TAMU.

Assistant Professor of History Dr. Bonnie S. Stadelman filed a suit with the EEOC against TAMU in April, 1973 and was notified of its ruling two weeks ago.

Stadelman filed the suit after being told she was denied tenure (assurance that a faculty member may continue in an academic position unless adequate cause for dismissal is demonstrated) in the fall of 1972 after six years of service to the University.

When a faculty member is denied tenure, it means he or she has only one year left on the University teaching staff.

"I will go to court if I have to but I don't

want to," said Stadelman. "A court case would just leave ugly feelings and lasting hostility. It would be better for the University and me if they just let me have my job quietly."

TAMU President Jack K. Williams said the EEOC was interested in conferences with TAMU, according to their letter of determination.

"This is a particular case where a faculty member in a given department at a given time was not given a recommendation for tenure," said Williams. "If a faculty member is given tenure he is protected in his job. If he is not given it, he goes about his business looking for another job."

"Two men in that (history) department didn't get tenure either, but they went on about their business," said Williams.

Dr. Haskell Monroe, assistant vice president for academic affairs, offered no comment and said the case "is a matter I suspect the Board of Directors will discuss."

Dr. David Van Fleet, assistant professor for management, had worked with sex discrimination in salaries in Akron, Ohio for the American Association of University Professors.

"I don't know of a single university without sex discrimination," said Van Fleet. "Most studies show it is pretty widespread."

Van Fleet said it would surprise him if the university didn't adopt some sort of plan to ease sex discrimination here.

Stadelman said the case was at a delicate point right now and noted that if the case did go to court, it would only make it more difficult for her to stay at TAMU, even if she won.

After the case with the EEOC had begun, Stadelman was finally shown the reason listed in her records as to why she did not receive tenure—lack of publication.

During her six years, Stadelman had published two articles and had a book ready for print. She said she had never received any complaints as to what she was doing and expected to be given tenure.



THE LILAC FAIRY, Jennifer Holmes, right, interrupts the act of the Wicked Fairy Carabosse, Rosemary Miles, who has crashed the christening of Princess Aurora. The magical action occurred last night as the National Ballet

of Washington presented "The Sleeping Beauty" to a capacity audience in Rudder Center Auditorium. (Photo by Rodger Mallison)



Bonnie Stadelman