

Budget requests to be reviewed

# Funding hearings begin Sunday

by Kelley Smith  
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The Student Government Finance Committee will begin hearings Sunday to review student service fees and budgets for the programs that receive student fees. About \$2.5 million will be allocated.

Budget requests have been made by the student legal adviser, the shuttle bus system, Student Publications, the Student Counseling Center, the international student adviser, the MSC Council and Directorate, intramural and extramural sports, A.P. Beutel Health Center, Student Activities and Student Government. The Study Abroad Program and University Art Exhibits also may be added to the student service fee funding.

It is the finance committee's job to evaluate these units, the services each provides, their

equipment and personnel, their current budgets and their new budget requests, said Blaine Edwards, committee chairman. The research then is documented and used to determine budget allocations.

"The students on the committee are interested in finding areas that most effectively use the student service fee dollars," Edwards said. "They have been doing a fantastic job of going in, researching and finding out what's going on."

Committee members also have been talking with students about student service fees and services that are offered. Edwards said the committee has received varied opinions.

"That's why the hearings are so important—it's the students' chance to do something about it," he said.

At the hearings, committee

members will present their research. Representatives from each department will be there to speak about their budgets and give justifications for new requests.

The hearings will continue through Friday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. each day. Hearings on Thursday and Friday also will be from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday's meeting will be held in 401 Rudder, Monday and Tuesday's in 140 MSC. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday's evening meetings will be in the MSC conference room. Thursday and Friday afternoon hearings will be in the Association of Former Students' Lounge.

Students are invited to attend any of the meetings and participate in the discussions, Edwards said.

On Saturday, Feb. 19, the committee will begin the alloca-

tion process. Then the committee will recommend approval of the new student service budgets and the student service fee for the 1983-84 academic year to the Student Senate during its Feb. 23 meeting. If the Senate approves the recommendations, the budget goes to Vice President for Student Services John J. Koldus. He checks to make sure the budgets and fees comply with state guidelines and makes necessary changes.

Once the budget receives Koldus' approval, the recommendations are sent to President Frank E. Vandiver and then to the Texas A&M Board of Regents for final approval.

Texas A&M is one of the few universities with a student group working in the budgeting process, Edwards said. "This is one of the most important committees on campus. What we do

affects every student from now on."

Edwards said most areas in the student services programs are expecting moderate increases. He added that there probably will be an increase in the student service fee, but the value of the cost far exceeds the amount of money paid.

"You can go in any area and get the money back through minor participation," he said. "It's up to the students to get what they want out of it."

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by Michael Raulerson  
Battalion Reporter

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The lecture series is the second part of a three-stage project funded by a grant from the Moody Foundation in Galveston, said Dr. David G. Woodcock, head of the graduate architecture department.

The first part of the project was a lecture series hosted by the University of Texas last year. The series concentrated on regionalism of architecture in Texas. The last of the lectures will be held at Rice University later this spring or in the early fall, said Woodcock.

"I hope the series will be interesting to students as well as to the community," he said.

The Texas Society of Architects is writing a substantial publication on architecture in Texas, and the Foundation wanted a series of public lectures for the publication, Woodcock said.

Gordon Echols, Gus Hamblett, Woodcock and Dorothy Victor will be the speakers in the series. Jerry Clements, presi-

dent of the Texas Society of Architects, will be the moderator.

Echols, a professor in the Urban and Regional Planning Department, will be speaking about indigenous architecture—the local architecture of a region, Woodcock said.

Hamblett, an assistant profes-

or in the environmental design department, will speak on Greek architecture and its reappearance in Texas buildings. Greek architecture is characterized by columns and classical details and is present in a wide range of buildings, such as academic buildings and banks, Woodcock said.

Woodcock will speak on the Texas Historic American Buildings Survey program and its relation to architectural history.

Victor, a member of Sikes Jennings Kelly architecture firm in Houston, will speak on the history of preservation of buildings in Texas.

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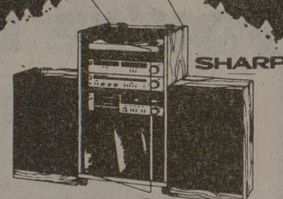
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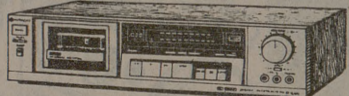
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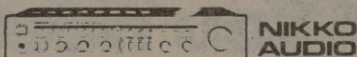
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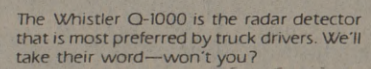
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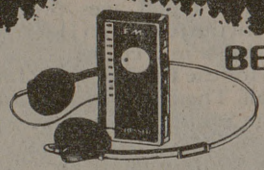
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