



Photo by Peter Rocha

TREE ART

A student stares at a "work of art" in front of the Academic Building. The work, several jean pant legs stuffed with paper, was hanging from a tree. There was no clue to the meaning of the art, and it remained unsigned.

Debate Forum discusses GSSO

Vote against gay recognition

By BRITTANY MILLHOLLAND
Reporter

Seventy-five percent of the people who attended the debate sponsored by Texas A&M Debate Forum Monday night, voted against University recognition of the Gay Student Services Organization. A total of 204 voted against and 70 voted for the issue.

Last August a 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Texas A&M will have to recognize the GSSO as a student organization. Later this month the Texas A&M Board of Regents will meet to deter-

mine whether or not they will continue litigations on this topic.

David McDowell, a freshman business major from Houston, began the debate by speaking against the recognition.

"Texas A&M should retain the right to recognize who they want to and who they don't," McDowell said.

He compared the GSSO to the fraternities and sororities that were defused university recognition. McDowell pointed out that the fraternities and sororities went off campus and have still successfully thrived at Texas A&M.

McDowell said that this is a matter of principal not need.

"Gay students at Texas A&M have a social responsibility to remember the majority of the people not only on this campus, but around the nation, do not support the stance they take on the moral issue of sex," he said.

Andy Kirkpatrick, a sophomore general studies major from Houston, argued in favor of recognition. He said that one doesn't have to agree with the morals of the gay community, or the Texas law that legalizes homosexuality, one just has

to agree with the U.S. Constitution that guarantees freedom of speech and association.

In dealing with equal representation, Kirkpatrick said, "Since A&M has allowed the publication and presentation of anti-gay material, Texas A&M is legally obligated to allow an opposing group equal time."

The GSSO can't be compared with fraternities and sororities, Kirkpatrick said, because it is a service organization not a social organization. It offers referrals, counseling and speakers on gay issues.

MSC Council discusses PUF change, approves entertainment programs

By KARI FLUEGEL

Reporter

The MSC Council heard a report from the Legislative Study Group about Proposition 2 which concerns the future of the Permanent University Fund at the council's meeting Monday night.

Texas voters will vote on Nov. 6 about a constitutional amendment which will restructure the PUF, said Michael O'Quinn, administrative director of the Legislative Study Group.

Until 1981, schools not financed by the PUF received funding from ad valorem taxes (property taxes) dedicated to state universities. This

tax was repealed in 1981 and without this portion of taxes, the schools have no guarantee of funding from the legislature. This means the legislature has had to budget funds for the non-PUF schools on a yearly basis. The lack of funding restricted long-range planning, O'Quinn said.

The amendment would create an annual \$100 million fund derived from general revenues for state universities. The money from this fund would be allocated by a formula, O'Quinn said.

Universities which would share in the fund, if the proposition is approved, will include Texas Tech University, the University of Houston System, Sul Ross State Univer-

sity, North Texas State University and Texas Southern University.

If the proposition fails, funding for non-PUF schools will be returned to the political arena and long-range planning will be impossible, O'Quinn said.

For Texas A&M and the University of Texas, which already share in the PUF, the passage of the proposition would insure that new system schools also would share in PUF bond proceeds and would allow Texas A&M and UT to use PUF proceeds to acquire land, repair existing buildings, purchase scientific equipment and library books.

In other business, the MSC Program Review Committee was asked

by the MSC Council to study the purpose, organizational placement and programming scope of the MSC Christmas Program, MSC Fall Leadership and MSC Spring Leadership.

By conducting a review, the council hopes it can find continual leadership and consistent membership for the committees.

Also, the council approved several entertainment programs. Among those are Four Hams on Rye and Joe King Carasco, Sept. 21 sponsored by MSC Basement; Alabama, Oct. 21, and Willie Nelson, Nov. 28 sponsored by MSC Town Hall; and Promise Them Anything, Sept. 11, and Hypnotist Edwin Baron, Sept. 24 sponsored by MSC Great Issues.

CSISD sets guidelines for implementing newest Texas education requirements

By CAMILLE BROWN

Staff Writer

The 1984-85 goals for the College Station Independent School District were adopted, with the exception of administrative services goals, Monday evening during a meeting of the district's board of trustees.

The goals include provisions to insure that the new state education requirements, passed this summer, will be carried out by schools in College Station.

The other topic raised during the

meeting was brought up by concerned parents. The parents complained about scheduling delays and the hiring of teachers for subjects which they may be unqualified to teach.

The board agreed that scheduling has been badly organized this year.

"We know about the situation," said John Reager, president of the CSISD board of trustees. "It has been the worst scheduling problem ... and it just has to be different next year."

H.R. Burnett, the superintendent of CSISD, attributed the problem to a late increase in enrollment, only one counselor being available to advise students' schedules and computer problems with scheduling.

Burnett said changes in scheduling will be made by next year.

Other items brought up by teachers at the meeting concerned the district's evaluation procedures. They said the evaluations are inconsistent from campus to campus and that the

evaluations are completed too late in the year to be beneficial to the teachers.

Burnett said the evaluation procedures are being re-evaluated.

The district's goals were divided into four sections: special programs, instructional, personnel and administrative services. The board voted to consider administrative services goals at the next board of trustees meeting in October.

Police beat

The following incidents were reported to the University Police Department through Monday.

MISDEMEANOR THEFT:

• A green Kuwahara 12-speed bicycle was stolen from outside the Memorial Student Center.

• A red Schwinn Le Tour 10-speed bicycle was stolen from the first floor of the Reed McDonald Building. The bicycle was locked at

the time of the theft.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:

• Someone threw an egg at a University Police patrol car as it passed in front of Puryear Hall.

BURGLARY OF A MOTOR VEHICLE:

• A Pioneer KE-3000 stereo and a Clarion Equalizer, model EQB300, were stolen from a Chevrolet in Parking Annex 40.

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