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CEAS Direct Admission Plan Changed; Decision Pending

The controversial proposal to limit enrollment in three College of Engineering and Applied Sciences (CEAS) courses because of overcrowding was slightly modified Monday by the SUSB Senate Executive Committee, which must submit

a final decision by Nov. 1.

The committee, a nine-member body that handles the day to day activities of the full Senate, had been charged by the Senate on Oct. 12 with deciding the issue for one year by University President John

Marburger's deadline. Though no formal vote was taken Monday, a final draft of the amended proposal, which will be circulated to executive committee members, as well as the chairmen of the Senate's other committees, is expected to be approved.

Under the proposal now under consideration, the electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and engineering science programs would be allowed to admit freshmen directly, telling them upon registration if they have been accepted to their intended majors. A stipulation that two third of the spaces in these programs must be filled by freshmen and the rest by transfers from other universities and from other areas within this university, has been dropped, according to SUSB Senate President Alfred Goldhaber. The new proposal will be more accurate and more clear, he said, than the original plan of the Senate's Undergraduate Admissions Committee. It will now be up to the department, Goldhaber said, to determine the number of students it will accept as freshmen and transfers.

The draft of the proposal will be discussed at a meeting Monday of the Senate's Coordinating Council, which consists of the Executive Committee members and the chairmen of the other Senate committees, and will, with possible other revisions, be submitted to the administration, Goldhaber said.

The Senate, meanwhile, will still be discussing a longer-term solution to overcrowding to other programs. That decision must be reached by February, in accordance with a motion passed at the last Senate meeting.

One possible amendment that was overwhelmingly voted down by the Executive Committee was to have freshmen accepted to these three CEAS programs take at least 21 of their general university distribution requirements during the first three semesters. This stipulation, according to its sponsor, undergraduate Babak Movahedi, would force new students to explore other fields, an argument he has made throughout the course of the enrollment limit debate.

Goldhaber said that he agrees with the spirit of what he was trying to achieve, but

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SUSB Senate President Alfred Goldhaber is working on a final draft that will attempt to temporarily ease overcrowding in the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

Polity Elections Held Again Today

By Laura Craven

In addition to the runoff election for freshman representative and Hendrix College senator today, students will vote again to decide if they want to increase the activities fee to support the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) and the intercollegiate athletic teams. New on today's ballot will be a question, although not binding, asking students their preference on the length of the academic calendar.

A \$3.40 increase in the activity fee per student per semester will raise, if passed, the money allocated to athletic programs to \$10 per year from each student's activity fee. The second athletic referendum would allocate \$5 per student per semester to the 17 Women's and Men's Intercollegiate teams through 1985. This would stabilize the amount of money athletics would receive, providing \$250,000 over the next three years.

The NYPIRG referendum asks students to continue supporting the student-run independent consumer interest organization via a \$2.10

increase in the activity fee per semester.

New on the ballot is a chance for students to voice their opinion on the length of the semester.

Polity President Jim Fuccio said he feels that the will of the students should be the overriding consideration of the faculty Senate when they decide whether the academic calendar remains at the 13 week semester or returns to traditional 15 weeks.

The calendar decision, he said, depends on where the emphasis is going to be placed "on education or on research. It's special interest vs. the quality of students' education." The Senate will decide the matter by the end of the year.

The referenda were voted on last week but invalidated by the Polity Judiciary. The Judiciary decided to invalidate the referenda based on the complaints of two students, G. Brian Hutchinson and Mike Kornfeld. The two felt that "the voting students were unjustly deprived of their right to have all views expressed regarding the issues involved, "because of

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Alumnus Rich Bentley (right) after being re-elected president of the Faculty Student Association last night. At left is Polity President Jim Fuccio, who was elected to the Board of Directors.

FSA President Is Re-Elected

President Rich Bentley and two other Faculty Student Association (FSA) officers were re-elected to one-year terms last night, in an unprecedented string of unanimous votes.

FSA, which controls the campus' auxiliary services, had a successful year, Bentley said, and is optimistic about the next one. He cited a \$41,000 profit the corporation had this year, and compared them to previous years, in which money was always lost. Last year, for example, FSA ended up about \$90,000 behind at the year's end.

Bentley, who served as president last year as a continuing education student and is now an alumnus, cited 17 of 23 goals fulfilled during the year, among them the computerization of the meal plan to accommodate the demand for flexibility, increased seating capacity in cafeterias, construction of the H Quad Day Care Center, accepting bids for an automated banking machine in the Stony Brook Union and changes and additions to the various food services. FSA either runs or contracts for all the businesses on campus, including Lackmann Food Services, which runs the meal plan.

As president, Bentley is chairman of the board, and director of policy and staff of the corporation, which handles hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. He will be joined on the board of directors by Sociology Professor Andrew Colver, re-elected as vice-president; Dan Melucci, the university's chief accountant who was re-elected as treasurer; and undergraduate Mary Ellen Sullivan, secretary. Non-officer board members, elected by the 24 Class A FSA members, are Polity President Jim Fuccio, Vice-President Van Brown, Treasurer Chris Fairhall, and graduate student Michael Kennedy and undergraduate Rodney Robissa. Fuccio, Fairhall and Kennedy were re-elected. Also elected were administrators Carl Hanes, vice-president for administration, and Fred Preston, vice-president for student affairs. The final seat went, as per the FSA bylaws, to a faculty member: Mortimer Shakun, an assistant professor of dentistry.

Among the goals Bentley listed as high priority for the coming year are developing a ratskeller in the Roth Quad cafeteria, renovate the food service system in the various cafeterias, especially the Stony Brook Union cafeteria and ballroom, hire an FSA executive director that will be responsible for the day to day operations and will be able to oversee the food service operations, and computerize and better organize the operation of FSA.

Bentley also said that further improvements to the End of the Bridge restaurant in the Union skip that, jim

Part of the reason for FSA's success this year, Bentley said, is that the university is changing. In the past, he said "you had a university that was growing [and] student services was...never

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