

Ludwig: Opposition To IDC Constitution Represented By Very 'Small Minority'

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Recent attacks on the Interdorm Council constitution are "not well-founded", according to Jim Ludwig, chairman of the Interdorm Coordinating Committee.

Ludwig explained the philosophy behind the constitution, pointing out that the approved document carried over from last year had been passed unanimously by the committee, article by article. He said that the final constitution also had received unanimous approval of all articles in their final form.

Ludwig said constitution opponents Tom Briggs of Cather Hall and Dave Snyder of Burr Hall directly represent only a "very small minority."

He also said that he had found no Cather students besides Briggs who directly oppose the constitution. Ludwig is president of Cather Hall.

Non-Voting Membership
According to Ludwig, when the first sessions of the committee began in March 1966, many dorms expressed the feeling that they did not want to be drawn into the IDC without their own approval.

Consequently, Ludwig said, the non-voting membership of dorms who had not approved the constitution was inserted. Membership is retained because the IDC will propose to be a representative body, but to function in new areas, the IDC may require the relinquishing of certain powers by the separate member dormitories.

Thus, the dorms have a choice through the residents of whether to relinquish some of their sovereignty by becoming voting members or to refuse and still have a voice in the discussion.

This protects the sovereignty of the dorms by not automatically drawing opponents into the organization without their approval, Ludwig said.

Ludwig stressed that the IDC still cannot go into any dorm and wield power, since the constitution states that "the Council may not legislate on any issue that is only of internal concern to a member dormitory, without the permission of the dormitory involved," and also says that the IDC shall only have power to "legislate on matters of general interest to the member dormitories."

Ludwig said that Snyder's proposed amendments had not been "defeated for no logical reason," but instead, had died for lack of a second after introduction. He said these amendments had been thoroughly discussed during an IDC meeting.

Ludwig stressed that the IDC had been in existence since last March with "probably more publicity than I've been on campus."

He said that there had never been block voting on any resolution, such as big dorms versus small or city versus East campus. He said that during the course of this time, "all of the dissenting ideas have been thoroughly discussed."

"I've never had anyone tell me that they thought the committee left out anything in the constitutional measures," Ludwig said.

He said that the individual residence hall students are represented on the council through their respective dorm governments and that this is important, because "they are actually the source of new programs."

Ludwig pointed out that the

IDCC previously had planned to use the name "Association of Residence Hall Students" to designate the body as a group. Snyder raised objections that this would reflect on all students and not just those approving the constitution.

According to Ludwig, the name was subsequently changed to an overall Interdorm Council, getting back to the original philosophy of the IDC as a council between member dorms, and not necessarily all dorms.

Reviewed Constitutions

In forming the constitution, Ludwig said, the IDCC had last year gone over dormitory government constitutions from more than 40 campuses. He added that none of these had an overall organization between men and women.

He said that constitutions of specific dorms and related organizations at the University had also been reviewed.

Despite objections, the council may amend the constitution within its own representative body, Ludwig said. He pointed out that the U.S. Constitution has a similar method of amendment in the rep-

resentative bodies of the people, and that the IFC has such a clause.

Ludwig added that the non-voting dorms are still legal in their representation on the council and have full privileges without voting power. He said that these members can sit in all standing committees and introduce legislation at any time, including amendments.

He also said that full members could be deprived of their vote for disciplinary measures, that this was no more illegal or unfair than non-voting membership for dissenting dorms.

Ludwig said that at the last IDCC meeting, he had told representatives that he would speak on the constitution and explain its implications if he were contacted.

"No one has contacted me to date," Ludwig said.

He said that seven dorms would have to approve the constitution for ratification, and added that any dorm that didn't vote or voted it down could revoke for membership at any time as well as to introduce amendments to the IDC.



IS IT Superman or Batman or birds alighting on the window sills of Abel Hall? No, it is just the boys taking advantage of the nice "fall" weather to wash their windows. Windexmen are sophomores Ron Olds and Don Riebe.

Evans: Baha'i Faith Stresses 'Oneness'

By Diane Theisen

Higher education's failure to teach students spiritual aspects of life adds to the increasing number of confused young people, according to Winston Evans.

Evans spoke Friday at a meeting of the Baha'i Faith, sponsored by the local Baha'i group. He has been active in the National and International Baha'i Faith movement. The Baha'i Faith is newly organized on this campus.

Evans emphasized the role of the Baha'i Faith in helping the young people of today face the basic issues of life. He stated that the Baha'is, through the law of Baha'u'llah, can help young people find assurance in the world turmoil and help them get back on the path to God.

The Baha'i Faith, an independent world religion founded by an Iranian Baha'u'llah in the 1860's, first came to the United States in 1894. The National Baha'i Headquarters estimates that there are about 355 local groups of the Baha'i Faith throughout the country.

Evans explained that the three basic principles of the Baha'i Faith are essentially the oneness of God, the oneness of religion, and the oneness of mankind. He stated that the Baha'is "cry to be understood" in the world today.

The Baha'is believe in one God who they feel "in essence is unknowable." They believe that God has revealed "His Word" to man throughout time, Evans explained, through various prophets or special messengers such as Moses, Buddha, Christ, Mohammad and Baha'u'llah. They regard religion as an evolutionary process and feel that each age has its prophet or messenger from God.

Baha'u'llah, which in Arabic means "Glory of God", is the prophet of this age.

The Baha'is condemn any form of prejudice and regard service to their fellow man as a kind of worship.

To achieve the goal of oneness of the human race the Baha'is believe in the adoption of a universal auxiliary language, the establishment of an overall world peace and the abolition of extremes of wealth and poverty.

The Baha'i Faith requires the highest moral and ethical behavior from its members. Although divorce is discouraged, states the National Foundation, it is permitted after a waiting period of one year.

The use of alcohol and drugs except for medicinal purposes is prohibited. The Baha'is emphasize strongly the obligation of adults to educate children.

The reality of man, Baha'is believe, is in the soul of man, which is eternal. They regard heaven and hell not as places but as conditions of the soul.

The Baha'is feel that their faith is the key to the understanding of our complex modern society. They regard it as the next step in the evolutionary chain of religion.

There is no clergy in the Baha'i Faith. Administration

is done through democratically elected assemblies, explained the National Headquarters. These elected bodies are on the local, national and international levels.

The Houses of Worship of the Baha'i Faith are nine-sided temples surmounted by a dome.

At the present time, there are four of these Houses located in Germany, Australia, Africa and Wilmette, Ill. These Temples are places of prayer and meditation and are open to people of all faiths.



SHOW DIRECTOR... Lucy Comstock confers with show chairman Tom Holyoke during Kosmet Klub rehearsals.

Lucy Comstock Begins First Year As Director

While this is Mrs. Lucy Comstock's first year of directing the Kosmet Klub Fall Show, she has had a wide background in such shows and dramatics at the University.

Mrs. Comstock coordinates the skits, and helps the skit masters in blocking and choreography as well as just directing the show. She is a senior with an English major and speech and dramatics minor.

She said that she applied last year with Steve Bradford, planning to work as a team on the show. Mrs. Comstock said that Bradford was drafted, leaving her the responsibility in her first job of directing.

Mrs. Comstock has worked in Coed Follies with Delta Gamma, and was in Kosmet Klub Spring Shows both her freshman year and in last year's "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Mrs. Comstock said that the technical planning for the show is complete, blocking and choreography is done, and the costumes are nearly completed.

Rehearsals move into Pershing Auditorium Monday, with full dress rehearsals on Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs. Comstock began working on the show a month ago, meeting with skit masters before the tryouts.

She said that she had been especially working on choreography for the show, since she has taken dancing for 12 years and has been a member of Orchesis, the University mod-

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Evaluation Book Includes 119...

Prof's Willing To View Selves Objectively

The Faculty Evaluation Book's distribution "represents something that has never been done at the University before," according to

Ladd Lonnquist, chairman of the ASUN faculty evaluation committee.

The book went on sale Monday at the Nebraska Union and University-area bookstores and sells for 25 cents.

ASUN is losing money on the book, Lonnquist said, but "this year we want to get it out to the students."

"We feel that the more students who see it the better we will be able to determine the success of the book," he added.

Lonnquist explained that of the 119 instructors evaluated in the book, "most of them were the more outstanding professors at the University."

"The instructors who did participate," he noted, "were those who were confident in their abilities and methods and were willing to take an objective look at their classrooms."

Two major reasons that other professors did not participate, he said were that some were "hesitant that their time would be wasted as they didn't think the book would come out."

"Others were simply worried about what the evaluation would say," he continued.

The 47-page mimeographed book is dedicated to Kent Neumeister and Larry Frolik,

past ASUN president and vice president, who were two of the originators and major advocates of the book last year.

Lonnquist noted that he was personally "quite satisfied" that the book was finally completed after "all the opposition and obstacles that arose last year."

The obstacles and opposition he referred to included the question of liability in case of possible libel suits, the necessity to revise the questionnaire and problems encountered in distributing and collecting the questionnaires.

"Also there were some professors who did agree to let us in their classrooms to distribute the questionnaires, but the questionnaires were not delivered," he said.

Lonnquist added that in-

cluded in the plans for next year's book were provisions for distributing the questionnaires to the instructors through the mails "to eliminate mistakes."

Plans are already underway for next year's book, he said, and the questionnaire will undergo revision.

"We will attempt to give as accurate a description as possible as to what it's like to be in the classroom and how much time a course requires to let the students know exactly what they're signing up for," he said.

He added that he hoped the book would show faculty members that students are aware of the quality of instruction and the amount of work an instructor puts into his course.

AWS Change Has Approval Of Deans

By Cheryl Tritt
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The major structural changes being considered by AWS have the approval of G. Robert Ross, dean of student affairs, and Miss Helen Snyder, dean of women students.

Miss Snyder said the AWS structure needs revamping "to meet the needs of the organization's expanded program and the growing number of University women in the living units."

Government is only a part of AWS's function, Miss Snyder stressed, and the organization has continually expanded in areas of scholarship and culture.

Referring to the Ad Hoc Committee, headed by Diane Hicks, Miss Snyder stated that Miss Hicks has "shifted her position considerably" and has now offered more constructive proposals.

also the program area may be completely revamped.

A constitutional convention could be in session for an entire year, Miss Hedgecock said, because this much time was required for the student

Dorms To Ballot On IDC Proposal

Residents of the University dormitories will vote for or against the proposed Interdorm Council constitution Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Abel and Sandoz Halls' elections will be Monday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Burr East and West, and Fedde Halls will vote Tuesday, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Cather Hall elections will be Tuesday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Pound Hall will hold its election 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Selleck residents will vote Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Conservatism and liberalism are not the primary factors to be considered when meeting changing issues, Miss Snyder said.

"It is important that changes not be the result of pressure but rather the result of careful consideration and planning," Miss Snyder added. The present AWS Board has been accomplishing changes in a "mature and intelligent" manner, she said.

Ross stated that AWS has always made revisions as the need has arisen, but he assumed there is usually some disagreement as how to make the changes.

It is important that women who do not like the existing AWS structure have the opportunity to make their positions understood, Ross said.

Miss Snyder and Mrs. Jean Register, "Focus on Coeds" adviser, will meet with several AWS Board members Nov. 11 to "decide how to reorganize AWS," Pam Hedgecock, AWS president said.

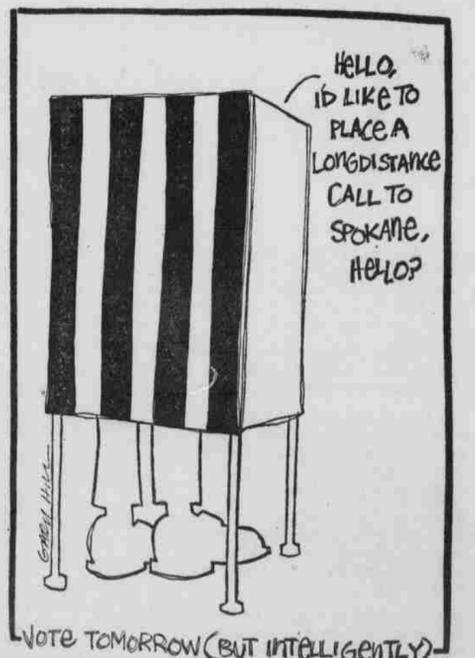
"As I see it, an entirely new constitution will have to be drafted," Miss Hedgecock said. The constitution will probably be drawn up by a constitutional convention, she added.

Electing delegates to a convention will be one of the issues discussed at the Nov. 11 meeting. The procedure for calling a convention is another problem to be solved, Miss Hedgecock explained.

Study committees to restructure the different branches of AWS may be incorporated. Miss Hedgecock added that not only the legislative branch of AWS but council reorganization in 1964.

"During the convention the AWS Board will continue to function as before to carry out the duties of the organization," Miss Hedgecock noted.

Elections Tuesday



Voters across Nebraska and the United States will cast their ballots for national, state and local officers tomorrow.

Nationally, Congressional and Senate races will show whether the Democrats can retain their majority strength in both houses of Congress, or whether the Republicans can recapture seats lost in the 1964 elections.

In Nebraska candidates are contesting for state, county and local offices as well as one senatorial and three Congressional seats.

Regular ballots will be cast throughout Tuesday at local precincts and absentee ballots must be postmarked before midnight Monday.