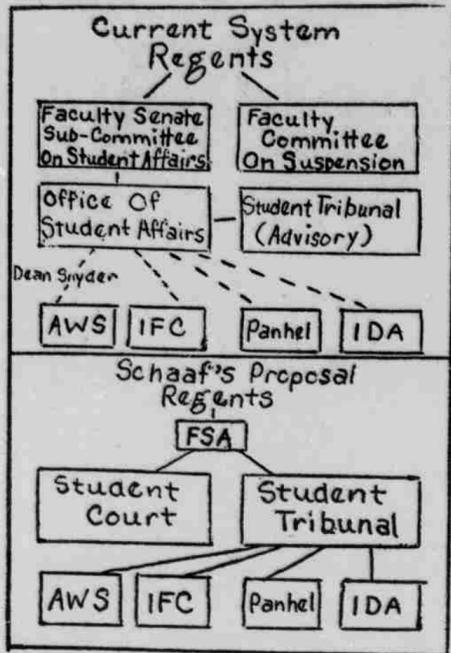


Representatives Of Student Governing Bodies Conclude Study Of Judicial Structures Needed



EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the last in a series on the court structures of the University.

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Judicial arms of University governments may undertake a muscle-building program that would establish avenues of appeal and define areas of jurisdiction. Representatives of various student governments concluded Monday at a meeting called by Dr. Russell Brown, associate dean of student affairs, that a study of the present system is needed before action can be considered.

"Most of the students seem to be saying that they do not know enough about the courts," Brown said. "So, we are gathering information, on which we will make decisions to recommend changes to the organizations."

Representatives from ASUN, Interdormitory Association (IDA) and Interfraternity Council (IFC) attended the meeting. AWS and Panhellenic were not present.

PRESENT SITUATION

Scheduling a second meeting for next Monday, the group decided to "investigate the present situation" first, according to Brown. "It is pretty early to say in what direction we are going," Brown said. "But the students indicated there is at least a need to clarify the situation."

One clarification being offered by Terry Schaaf, justice of the ASUN Student Court, involves some major changes in the present system.

Schaaf, who said that revisions are needed at upper and lower levels of the court systems, proposed a Faculty - Student - Administration (FSA) Court last year that would be at the head of a more uniform series of lower courts.

REPRESENTATION

In the suggested FSA, equal representation from the three parts of the University community would form the superior court, Schaaf indicated, with only the Board of Regents above it.

"The FSA Court would be a judicial committee," independent of any one segment of the University," the former ASUN president said.

The one segment Schaaf referred to is the faculty, which dominates two committees, which are subordinate only to the Regents in their power over students.

The committees are the Faculty Committee on Student Suspension and the Faculty Senate Subcommittee on Student Affairs.

NON-JUDICIAL

The Subcommittee on Student Affairs is not a judicial group, according to Schaaf, even though it has members from outside the faculty.

He said that the group, which varies in size and representation, is too large to be a truly judicially deliberative body.

"Just as the faculty would not want students to run this," Schaaf said of the groups controlling student suspension and affairs, "the students should not want only the faculty to run it."

Under Schaaf's proposed organization of courts, the ASUN Court and a student tribunal or disciplinary court would stand on equal footing.

The Student Court would conduct civil cases, as the ASUN Court now does, Schaaf explained. But instead of the current Student Tribunal, a Disciplinary Court would deliberate on the guilt of an infraction and assess penalties.

Currently, the Tribunal only hears evidence and recommends action to the Office of Student Affairs.

"The current Student Tribunal is not actually a court," Schaaf said, "since it merely advises."

Although the so-called Disciplinary Court would have primary jurisdiction in student affairs, Schaaf added, the faculty and administration would still have a check on decisions through the FSA Court.

Ultimately, he said, the Regents could make the final decision over any of the courts, if a case is important enough for them to consider.

IFC, IDA and AWS courts would all stand inferior to the Disciplinary Court, with divisions under each of these as needed, Schaaf said.

The Student Court justice's plan is not the only one under discussion, Brown indicated.

MICHIGAN

Information on the judicial system at the University of Michigan was distributed to the representatives at Monday's initial meeting.

"This is to be an example, not a model," Brown said. "The Michigan system is more comprehensive, has the avenues of appeals spelled out, outlines the make-up of each court and sets penalties."

Brown and Schaaf each said these were possible areas of weakness in the current University system.

The Nebraska courts have no comprehensive statements on the jurisdiction of each court and there are no formal avenues of appeal, Schaaf said.

LACK

In the area of penalties

for infractions of rules, both agreed that consistency is also lacking.

"In the present system," Brown said, "we do not know how consistent we are in dealing with similar problems."

Schaaf pointed out the variety of punishments for the same infraction within different living units.

"There are complications at the lower levels we did not realize before the meeting," Schaaf said. "Even individual floors in the dorms have courts."

APPLICABLE

A court code applicable to the entire system is needed, the Student Court justice said. This would define areas of jurisdiction and assessment of penalties for all

courts at the University.

Schaaf also commented on the poor network of appeals in the present system, especially concerning AWS," Schaaf said, "but it has got to fit into the structure."

"According to my information," he said, "there is no appeal out of AWS except through student affairs."

Mary Cunningham, assistant to Helen Snyder, associate dean of student affairs, said she thought the present system has been effective for the women students at the University.

"Whether or not it is the best way," she added, "is a different question."

CAMPUSING

Currently, AWS can

assess "campuses," restricting coeds for prescribed periods of time, when they accumulate too many late minutes or commit other infractions.

Women convicted of infractions can appeal their case back to the AWS, thus getting a second hearing from the same group, although this is not a normal court procedure.

The coeds can also seek help in their appeals from Dean Snyder or their living units, Miss Cunningham said.

"I feel certain that there are many methods of appealing," she said.

Schaaf agreed that there were appeals within AWS, but that there is no appellate procedure outside the

organization, except through Dean Snyder.

Since only though administrators, like Dean Snyder, can appeals be made to the Tribunal, there is no established or guaranteed process in some organizations.

The whole judicial system may be in much the same situation, necessitating the study of the representatives, Schaaf indicated.

"You cannot make a bad system good by adding a few names to courts," Schaaf said. "And it is so complicated now, that we may find we will need more than just clarification."

"Otherwise, we may be clarifying forever as more and more courts are created at the University."

Nebraskan Applauds

Harold Lynn Beck, a former Agronomy major at the University, has recently been named a Peace Corps volunteer assigned to El Salvador after completing 13 weeks of training at the Peace Corps Training Center in Puerto Rico.

A University junior, Ronald E. Morlok, is the recipient of the annual Goodyear \$1,000 scholarship in Engineering. He has been active in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and holds a 3.323 grade average.

Lt. Col. Elmer R. Hermes of Lincoln was awarded the Legion of Merit at a recent University Army ROTC honor ceremony.

A career officer in the U.S. Army, Col. Hermes was cited for meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Comptrollership by Col. James F. Bishop, professor of military science. Col. Hermes is now payroll manager.

Fourteen University Army ROTC cadets were designated distinguished

military students. Each cadet ranks either in the top 10 per cent of his ROTC class or the top third of his class and top half of his college class.

The students were Charles E. Albright, James W. Belmont, Terrance Cacek, Howard D. Dorsey, Paul S. Dye, Jeffrey H. Farkas, David A. Napoliello, Dennis L. Osborne, and James P. Overton.

Others were George A. Redding, James D. Seven-son, Paul J. Watson, John R. Wertz, and Robert D. Wilcox.

and Home Economics students have been awarded scholarships in food technology with a total value of \$1,800.

Stanley Wallen has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship sponsored by the Berber Products Co. Henry Kuhlman, was awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Institute of Food Technology.

Warren E. Leary, a junior in the School of Journalism, is the first University recipient of a \$500 scholarship sponsored by

the Gannett Newspapers. Leary is a news-editorial major and plans to go into the field of newspaper work.

The WRA officers from Raymond Hall are Sue Houchin, president; Mary Dean, vice-president; Barb Thompson, secretary-treasurer; Nancy Trenchard, social; Pam Prader, activities; Bitsy Brownlee, AWS representative; Susan Hoff, publicity; and Marcia Olson, IDA.

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Sara Messler, Kappa Kappa Gamma sophomore in elementary education from Columbus, to Jeff Klumb, Sigma Alpha Epsilon junior in music from Laurel.
JoAnn Dean, Kappa Kappa Gamma junior in elementary education from Lincoln, to Mike Rierdon, Phi Delta Theta junior in English from Lincoln.
Pat Jones, Avila College junior in elementary education from Hastings, to Roger Humphrey, Sigma Phi Epsilon junior in pre-med from Hebron.

ENGAGEMENTS
Sandi Shrewsbury, Delta Zeta junior in Teachers College at Nebraska Wesleyan, to Roger Dnakacke, sophomore in Business Administration.
Carol Bunz, Alpha Chi Omega junior in Arts and Science from Omaha, to Earl Beam, Sigma Nu senior in business from Omaha.
Cheryl Kassebaum, Poudre Hall junior in pharmacy from Hebron, to Kenneth Hedegaard, junior in pharmacy from Omaha.
Karen Grudzinski, former University student from Aurora, to David Heckman, senior in electrical engineering from Hastings.
Sue Bell, Delta Zeta junior in Teachers College from Tabor, Ia., to Jerry Bartley, senior in business administration from Ashland.

Lead Roles Cast For 'A Delicate Balance'

The cast for Edward Albee's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama, "A Delicate Balance," was announced by Dr. William Morgan, director of the play to be presented by the University Theater.

Clint Jakeman, graduate student from Fremont, will portray Tobias. Jakeman has toured with the Princeton Glee Club, performed in nightclubs and traveled in Europe as a cast member in a State Department-sponsored musical.

Michelle Meyer, sophomore drama major, makes her Howell Theater debut as Agnes. Miss Meyer was raised in Europe, previously attended Tennessee State University and the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. She has performed in laboratory theater roles.

GRAD STUDENT
The role of Harry assigned to Patrick Drake, graduate student. He has written, produced and directed two shows: "M Moeuvre" and "The Stranger," adapted from the book by Albert Camus. He has also assisted with production at KUON television studio.

Janet Jensen, junior in speech, will portray Edna. Miss Jensen previously appeared in University Theater as Lady Macbeth, and has been affiliated with the

Tanglewood Barn Theater, Encore Theater in Chicago, Actor's Theater in Milwaukee and Saginaw Community Theater.

The role of Claire will be played by Patricia A. Brott, who appeared in last year's production of "Scapin." She has acted and directed in connection with the laboratory theater, and has studied in London.

Susan Granata, veteran of the Howell stage, appears as Julia. She previously held roles in "Anthony and Cleopatra," "The Three Sisters" and "Scapin," and served as assistant publicity director at the Lakes Region Playhouse of Laconia, N.H.

OPENING
The play will open Nov. 3, 4 and 5, continuing Nov. 17, 18 and 19 and Dec. 8 and 9, alternating with Moliere's "Misanthrope."

Scheduling of the 17th century and 19th century plays in contrast provides the audience with a comparison of past and present theater techniques and a sampling of well-known playwrights from both periods, according to Dr. Joseph Baldwin, director of "Misanthrope."

Tickets can be obtained for \$1.55 at the University Theater Business Office or by calling 472-2072 and 472-2073.

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