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## Council attempts bi-law changes

Mark Henderson

The changing of its by-laws was the order of the day at the last Central Council meeting.

The proposed changes were moved and seconded by Randy Klock and Curt Watts, president and vice-president of the student body.

The changes were proposed to make the council more efficient, according to Klock.

The council failed to plow through all the proposed changes before a lack of quorum was noted and the meeting was dissolved.

The suggested changes which were discussed were approved with minor friendly amendments. There were few dissensions.

Several times Paul April, chairperson of the council, relinquished the chair to speak from the floor.

On one proposed change, one calling for the deletion of an inactive date, April said that he opposed the change because the date "shows there is some continuity, some history and some thinking behind the council's by-laws. I would urge defeat of this change."

The change was approved.

The changes also delete the Executive Committee report. Concern was expressed by many members of council over the deletion by Klock eased some of the concern when he explained "as president of the student body I am chairperson of the Executive Committee, so the committee report will be included in the president's report."

As changes were debated one by one, many of the council members left the meeting to take a walk and returned later. Two members played hangman as debates and votes took place.

Bob Richardson, member of the council, called the meeting "long and frustrating." Richardson, late in the afternoon, moved that the remaining proposed changes be taken as one. The motion passed.

Immediately after that vote, a motion to table the rest of the by-law changes was made. April, again from the floor, urged against tabling, hoping "to get this over with this afternoon so

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SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW:

42 Bellerive Acres (above) inadequate for social functions, chancellor Arnold Grobman will soon inhabit a new house at 9 Bellerive Acres (below). Improvements on the new residence are being financed by an anonymous donor. (Photo by Steve Piper)



## Donor backs house purchase

An anonymous donor will contribute approximately \$37,500 to the purchase and improvements on a new residence for UMSL's chancellor, university officials report.

The current residence, at Number 9 Bellerive Acres, will be put up for sale. This residence and two adjoining lots also owned by the university have been appraised at \$76,000; \$59,000 for the house and lot, and \$8,500 for each adjoining lot.

University officials say the old residence has proved inadequate

for civic and social functions expected of the chancellor. The old residence was purchased in 1966.

Purchase price of the new residence is \$76,500. Estimated improvements, including a new kitchen and air conditioning, are \$37,500.

The anonymous, private donor will finance the difference between the selling price and the purchase price plus improvements. University officials say the donor has expressed interest in future assistance to the University, and that they will respect the donor's wishes

## Reallocation of \$270,000 needed to meet costs

Terry Mahoney

The UMSL campus will be required to reallocate \$270,000 from existing accounts in 1975-76 in an effort to cover rising utility costs, establish an affirmative action office, meet costs from rising enrollment and otherwise cover anticipated expenses, according to the Chancellor Arnold Grobman.

Explaining in a formal statement on the budget issued July 7, the chancellor cited Governor Bond's action in approving an appropriations bill providing an increase of only \$6,293,166 in funds for the University of Missouri as reason for the necessary adjustment. Both the Coordinating Board on Higher Education and the General Assembly had approved larger amounts.

As a result of action taken in May of this year by the Board of Curators, the entire amount of the increase in funding is to be allocated towards wages and salaries. According to Grobman this will provide an average increase of 4.56% in salary at UMSL. This is less than the current annual increase in the cost of living.

The bulk of such increases will be given to employees at pay scales below \$13,000 annually and to faculty members with salaries higher than that who are awarded increases for meritorious service.

In Grobman's words, "Increases for students should provide for an hourly minimum of \$2.20 per hour. Additional increases for outstanding performance may be granted but total increase may not exceed 4.56%."

According to Grobman, the effects of the necessary reallocation in fiscal year 1976 will include "a lowering in the quality of instruction through increased class sizes and a reduction in the variety of courses offered, a reduction in the support of research activities on urban-oriented social and economic problems... a reduction in library hours and services" and the deferring of the purchase of such items as typewriters, projectors and scientific equipment.

Grobman has expressed opposition to a freeze in hiring,

preferring instead to "generate those savings through whatever methods the individual units (of the campus) prefer. The estimated savings to be recovered are about 3% of the salary and wage budget." He has promised to advise various campus departments at some later date what specific amounts of savings they will be required to generate.

"As grim as is the budget picture for 1975-75," Grobman concluded, "I regretfully must

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## August 3 date of summer commencement

More than 450 students will receive degrees at UMSL's summer commencement exercises at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3. The outdoor ceremony will be held on the terrace adjacent to the Multipurpose Building.

Dr. J. Neal Primm of the UMSL history department will deliver the commencement address.

University President C. Brice Ratchford will confer the bachelor's and master's degrees on the students. Several members of the Board of Curators will attend the ceremony, presided over by UMSL Chancellor Arnold B. Grobman.

Dr. Primm joined the UMSL faculty in 1965 and served as chairman of the history department from 1966 to 1970. His service to the University began on the Columbia Campus in 1951 as assistant director of the Western Historical Manuscripts Collection. He was director of the collection from 1954 to 1958. Prior to his UMSL appointment, he was president of Hiram College for one year after serving as dean of the college for six years.

Dr. Primm was the 1975 recipient of the Thomas Jefferson award, presented annually to the member of the University who "best exemplifies the principals and ideals of Thomas Jefferson."

The commencement will be followed by a reception for graduates and their guests on the Multipurpose Building terrace. In the event of rain, both events will be held inside the building.

## Active UMSL participation in Open University this fall

Terry Mahoney

This fall semester UMSL will begin its active participation in the University of Mid-America and Open University. Associate Dean of Faculties Blanche Touhill will coordinate for this campus.

Both "universities" are cooperative efforts among colleges designed, in the words of Dean of Faculties Everett Walters, "to sponsor courses for people who can't ordinarily attend college

courses."

To do this programs will be broadcast over KWMU and Channel 9. UMSL will be responsible for maintaining three learning centers to be used for weekly classes by students enrolled through UMSL. Plans call at present for a center at the St. Louis county library on Lindbergh, the main city library and for another location as yet undetermined. Tuition will be the same as for normal on campus courses, \$31 an hour.

UMSL is a member of the University of Mid-America along with the Columbia and Rolla campuses and the Universities of Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas. Two courses will be offered, these being one in accounting and another in psychology.

The accounting course will be offered through the School of Business Administration, and will be directed by John Anderson. While the two courses offered by the University of Mid-America were designed by the

University of Nebraska, each institution conducts its classes more or less independently, providing its own teachers and establishing its own policies towards scheduling, exams and the like.

While UMSL will also offer the course in psychology the actual program as such is being developed and managed by Fred McKinney, a professor at the University of Missouri-Columbia. "This is because the Department of Psychology here has

simply decided not to become involved at this time."

Two other courses will be offered through Open University — a general one in Humanities and another in Science and Technology.

These courses will also be offered at Lindenwood College and Webster College here in Missouri and in Illinois at SIU-Edwardsville and Greenville College. They will generally be

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# Inefficiency and frustration observed in Council

Mark Henderson

Randy Klock, president of the student body, in a recent interview with a Current reporter, said that he was working with a united Central Council and that by-law changes he proposed would make the council more efficient. One would hope this is true, but all one could observe at the last council meeting was disunity, inefficiency and frustration.

The meeting consisted of a discussion on the proposed by-law changes that Klock initiated. The long meeting was made necessary not because of fundamental debate on the changes as much as the discussions and explanations of the rules of order.

To prevent long meetings in the future, all members should buy and read the paperback version of "Robert's Rules of Order" to be able to follow a meeting without the chairperson

having to spell out every step for the council.

Another problem at the meeting was an apparent conflict between Paul April and John Stover. Both were candidates for the office of chairperson, won by April. Much of the meeting consisted of parliamentary arguments between the two.

April, as chairperson, also seemed devious. The council

## Commentary

does not have a parliamentarian as permitted by the by-laws. April is both parliamentarian and chairperson. When one from the floor requests April to check the rules, April announces that he "considers the rules checked" without even touching the book.

April, if not watched, may become autocratic. At the end of the meeting April left the chair to speak against a motion to

table the remaining proposed changes. He resumed the chair prior to the vote. The vote to table ended in a tie, and April, as chairperson, previously announced to the body as biased, took it upon himself to break the tie. This is not right.

The members of the council seemed unconcerned about its governing document. Many took walks during the proceedings, others played hangman in the chamber. Those who were concerned often conducted themselves rudely, often out of order. At one time a member spoke out in the midst of a roll call vote.

In short, the last council meeting was, at Bob Richardson, council member, called it, "very frustrating." The meeting was long, often dilatory, and, most important, very inefficient. One hopes that Klock's visions come true; if they do not, and the meetings continue as the last one did, the council will find it hard to obtain a quorum to conduct business.

# Speech communication degree offered

An A.B. degree program in speech communication, with courses in public speaking, theater, mass communication and theory, will be offered for the first time during the 1975-76 academic year.

The program to be administered through the English department, will consist of 30 credit hours of communication courses. Those majoring in the new field must also satisfy the general education requirements of the UMSL College of Arts and Sciences.

Students enrolled in the program will take courses in each of four areas: rhetoric and public speaking, communication theory and research, theater, and mass

communication. Specific courses include effective speaking, communication in American politics,

play production, writing for radio and television, and mass media and society.

## UMSL in Open University

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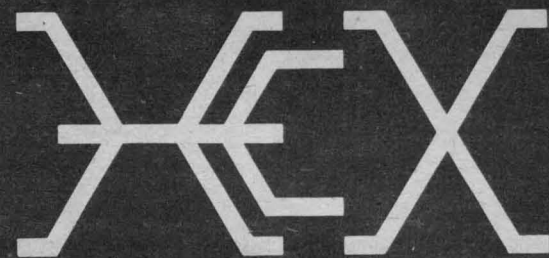
Despite this Walters foresees that "We'll each our own territory. We'll pretty generally divide up our selling markets the same as in business," with the disparity in location of the different institutions and their learning centers being the biggest determiner.

Open University officials say they also "hope to have an impact on a wide watching and

listening audience not actually enrolled in the programs." Only about 300 enrollments in the four courses combined is seen as practical.

## Reallocation

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again, it might not. (Photo by Steve Piper)

Students wanted for Senate committees

From: Arthur shaffer, Chairman  
Committee on Committees,  
University Senate

The Committee on Committees of the University Senate solicits interested volunteers or nominations for Senate Committee Membership for the 1975-76 academic year. One does not have to be a Senate member to be eligible.

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Council

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we won't have to worry about it next meeting."

The vote to table ended in a tie. April, as chairperson, broke the tie, voting against tabling.

Lucy Zapf then valled for a quorum call, and a quorum could not be reached.

Other business consisted of the chairperson's report announcing that five or six UMSL organizations had booths as the Strassenfest. April told the council that he thought it was "a good idea for UMSL organizations to become involved in other festivals in town as well."

Klock told the council that New Student Orientation will be held on August 19 and 20, and that organizations will have the opportunity to set up information booths.

Curt Watts, vice-president of the student body, told the council that "help is needed to staff information booths to answer questions that the new students might have the first couple days of the fall semester."

Bob Richardson announced his pending resignation as chairperson of the council's Course Evaluation Committee. He is going to France for studies.



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Airplanes upstage music  
at symphony concert here

Mark Henderson

Dvorak's "New World" Symphony was offered by the St. Louis Symphony at UMSL Friday night. The St. Louis Symphony is one of the ten best orchestras in the country and Friday night's concert was near perfect, at least what could be heard of it.

Airplanes and jets landing at Lambert Field were quite distracting. At first conductor Walter Susskind played with the planes, taking the cuts from Ressini's Overture to "Semiramide" and waited until the planes were gone.

During Debussy's "Premiere Rhapsodie for Clarinet and Orchestra," a piece of transparent scoring along the lines of the impressionists, the air traffic literally covered the sound of both soloist and orchestra.

In short, UMSL is not an ideal place for a symphony concert.

When a piece of music that is famous, such as Dvorak's "New World," is played in concert one of two things can happen; the orchestra can become lax in performing so familiar a piece or the audience can become too critical. Neither happened Friday night.

Susskind is, according to critics, a Dvorak expert, and Susskind's "New World" bears

this out. Susskind had firm control of the orchestra as he conducted from memory using crisp attacks in the first movement and relatively fast tempos in the famous Largo. Through most of the Largo, fortunately, there was relief from the airplanes.

There were times of minor difficulties in some of the brass work, especially the horns. The closing brass rush in the first movement of the symphony was not as clean as it could have been.

The best movement of the

is a soft, slow work of impressionism with a very transparent score. This was a true test for the orchestra, and it passed with honor.

The orchestra seemed less flappable by the planes during the rhapsodie than did its audience. The crowd strained to hear Silfies' beautiful clarinet amidst the noise.

The strings showed as much virtuosity in the rhapsodie as did Silfies. The pizzicato and glissandos in the rhapsodie were never rushed and well done. The St. Louis Symphony strings are one of the best string ensembles in the nation, and a special note should go to John Korman, concertmaster of the orchestra Friday night.

The concert opened with Rossini's "Semiramide" Overture, a traditionally light and happy Rossini overture played with enthusiasm by the orchestra. A slow opening theme played beautifully by the orchestra's woodwinds leads to a Haydnian second theme for strings to a final march for full orchestra.

The concert was played on the slope leading to the soccer field. The symphony shell and sound system has a tendency to distort the deeper voices, especially cellos and tympani, giving them a harsh sound rather than the rich tone they possess.

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performance of the symphony was the Scherze of the third movement. Following the world famous Largo the Dvorak scherze is often overlooked, but Susskind kept the tempo manageable and therefore the movement shone as clear as the violet skies of the dusk. The scherze was a masterpiece.

The soloist for Debussy's "Premiere Rhapsodie" was George Silfies, lead clarinet of the orchestra. Silfies is a very gifted conductor and clarinetist with a strong, rich and well-controlled sound. The rhapsodie

Candy store survives

Bennie B. Burrell Jr.

All those worried about the relocation of the Candy Store, sweat no more. The candy store will remain next to the information desk at the University Center, at least temporarily, according to Dennis Klazura, newly appointed director of the UMSL bookstore.

"Most of the magazines and evening papers are being brought downstairs to the bookstore now," Klazura said, but the candy store will remain at its present location for a time. "Maybe next year the store could be moved downstairs," Klazura said.

The problem that exists now in moving the cigarettes and candy downstairs to the bookstore is the difference in the candy store's and the bookstore's hours on weekends.

The candy store and magazines are both controlled by the bookstore.

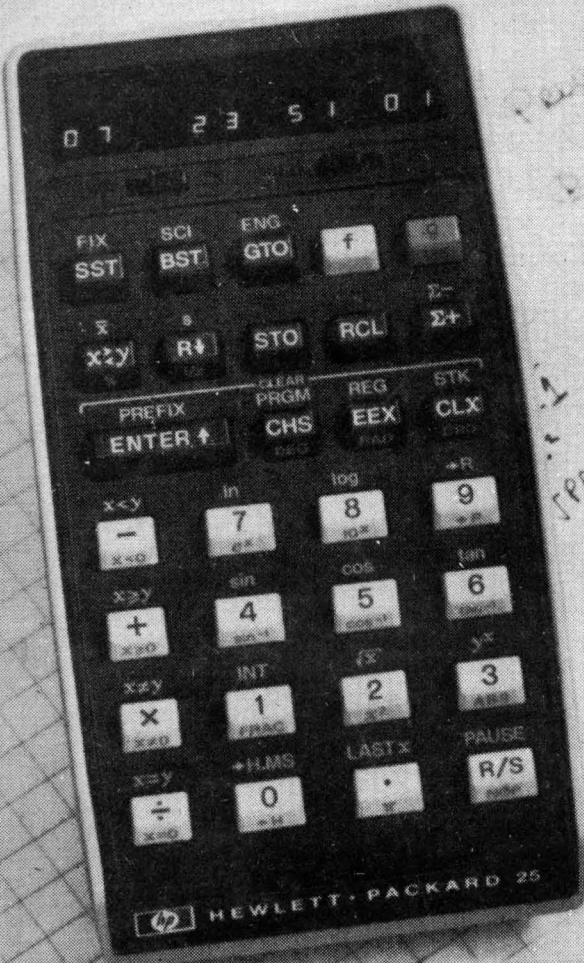
Klazura believes that by moving the magazines and other articles downstairs to the bookstore a better atmosphere for browsing and reading could be provided. Klazura had found that in Milwaukee, where he came from, when magazines and papers are placed in an easily accessible full-service area they usually sell better.

The reason for the moving of the magazines, in part, is due also to theft. Klazura acknowledges the large theft problems of magazines and other materials, citing especially the cigarette lighters. The lighters, according to Klazura, are located at the far end of the cashiers counter and are stolen while the cashier is serving paying customers.

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