Annual Report and Recommendations of the  
Student Life and Interests Committee, 1967-68

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I. Introduction:

The Student Life and Interests Committee provides for joint student-faculty participation in the evaluation and improvement of all aspects of student extracurricular activities. It has jurisdiction, subject to faculty direction and control, over all extracurricular activities and interests of UWM students (UWM Faculty Document 420, October 12, 1967). This year the reorganization of the committee was achieved. The reorganization (1) increased student membership, (2) transferred chairmanship to a teaching faculty member, (3) increased the continuity between SLIC and its subcommittees, (4) reduced the number and re-defined the functions of the subcommittees, and (5) increased and defined student affairs membership as nonvoting. The committee has met eleven times to date and has five meetings scheduled yet this year. The subcommittees consider in depth specific subject-matter areas. They are: (1) Finance, (2) Program Evaluation and Development, (3) Publications, and (4) Student Organizations and Legislative Review. In addition, an ad hoc committee on Student Health relating particularly to the Student Insurance Plan was established this year. Meetings are held in Room 221 of the Union and are open to all students and faculty members. Minutes are sent to interested persons upon request.

II. Discussions and Actions of SLIC:

A. September 27, 1967: Heard announcement of $600 appropriation to Guidon for uniforms. Approved constitutions of Zeta Beta Tau, Forum on Conscientious Objection and the Draft, Delta Omicron, Gamma Phi Beta, Student Organization for Athletic Grant-In-Aid, Students for Nelson, Flying Club, Professional & Academic League, South Stowell House Mutual Operations Committee, Triathlon Club, Women's Press Club, Delta Society, Sport Parachute Club, Student Broadcast Club. Heard concerns of student groups relative to telephone service. Recommended that student organizations pay the same rate and receive the same service as afforded to faculty and administration and have the option of selecting the type of phone service best meeting their needs including tie-line facilities.

Heard request of Marching Band for $3,475 to purchase equipment.

Heard request of UWM Ivy for $7,000 to pay production costs and salaries. Appointed Carol de DeHay to Student Court.

C. October 25, 1967: Heard report on new student organization telephone policy announced by Mr. Solon. The policy was received favorably by the committee. Heard report of poll taken of marching band members relative to their interest in the band and provisions for possible financial remuneration. Approved motion to write and urge the Music Department, School of Fine Arts, and Athletic Department to pool their resources and provide $3,475 for the Marching Band. Heard report from Dean Strache concerning shortages in recreational facilities. Approved recommendation to Codification Committee for the establishment of a standing student-faculty committee to address itself to recreation and the critical need for recreation facilities. Approved constitution for Students-of Objectivism.

D. November 8, 1967: Approved allocation of funds to University Student Government to purchase three voting machines and send two delegates to the Associated Student Governments Convention in San Francisco. Approved allocation of $95 to Forensic Union. Denied request for funds to send six students to Student Forum on International Order and World Peace. Discussed academic eligibility requirements for student organization officers. Recommended continuation of two-day study break. Approved USL Bill K 6-USL 19 revising system of handling late registrations of student organizations. Heard and discussed proposal by E. Litt regarding personnel recruitment by external, private and public agencies.

E. November 13, 1967 (special meeting): Heard and discussed proposal by N. Riemer, "A Statement on Civil Liberties and Job Recruitment at UWM". Adopted as amended Section 1-8 of this proposal.

F. November 15, 1967 (special meeting): Adopted as amended Sections 9-15 of "A Statement on Civil Liberties and Job Recruitment at UWM". Recommended to UWM administration the appropriation of funds so that the University may obtain legal counsel for advice to protect the rights of bona fide members of the UWM community, such legal counsel to be available at demonstrations directed against Dow Chemical Company and the CIA. Recommended that the students directly involved in the present controversy, representatives of the Student Government and appropriate faculty members meet immediately in order to seek a solution to the problem presented by the forthcoming presence of the CIA and Dow Chemical recruiters on campus.

G. November 29, 1967: Put committee reorganization into effect. Approved revision of eligibility requirements for student organization officers permitting all enrolled students to hold leadership positions restricted only by individual organization constitutions. Approved McLaren Hall Visitation Proposal to be in effect for the remainder of the current academic year. Discussed open-recruitment policy. Recommended that job placement interviews be returned to the Downer-Kenwood Campus, that any student seeking job placement from any organization be allowed to use placement services facilities on the Downer-Kenwood Campus for interviewing purposes and accordingly
urged Chancellor Klotsche to reconsider his decision to move place-
ment interviews off the Downer-Kanwood Campus. Voted to establish
and ad hoc committee to review and make recommendations to SLIC con-
cerning procedures in matters related to recruiting, the committee
being made up of members of SLIC and others as appointed by the
Chairman. Approved constitution for Project Concern. Discussed
and referred to Student Organizations Subcommittee proposed proce-
dures for dealing with students in arrears to fraternities.

H. December 13, 1967: Seated Fred Steinhauser and John Houghton. Estab-
lished Ad Hoc Committee on Student Health to continue study of the
Health Insurance Policy. Received report from Finance Committee on
fund allocations made to date. Allocated $123.00 to Men's Glee Club
for badges and Intercollegiate Musical Council dues. Voted to recon-
sider action taken at November 29th meeting establishing ad hoc com-
mittee to study matters Relating to Recruiting. Passed substitute
motion directing the Chairman of SLIC to contact the Chairman of the
ad hoc committee on Recruitment (McLaughlin Committee) asking that
their recommendations be passed on to SLIC for review prior to their
submission to the Chancellor and indicating our willingness to coop-
erate with their committee to the fullest extent. Referred concern
for increasing dialogue on campus to Program Evaluation and Develop-
ment Committee. Requested the Dean of Student Affairs to prepare a
position paper for SLIC on the question of an activity fee at UWM.
Recommended to the Dean of Student Affairs that SLIC and its sub-
committees be given adequate staff help so they can function properly.
Approved constitutions of Cuban Forum, Italian Club and Flying Club.
Returned K 8-USL-33 revising Campus Demonstration Policy to USL for
clarification. Allocated $145 to UWM Post for U.S. Student Press
Association Convention delegate registrations.

Heard Chancellor Klotsche's reply (letter) to recommendation con-
cerning location of job interviews made at November 29th meeting.
Received request (letter) from Ad Hoc Committee on Recruitment
(McLaughlin Committee) for statements regarding policies on recruit-
ment. Allocated $170.00 to UWM Post for travel expenses of delegates
attending the U.S. Student Press Association Convention in Washington,
D.C. Discussed policy defining eligibility criteria for student
groups receiving SLIC funds. Adopted statement permitting Honor
Societies to receive SLIC funds, and permitting funds to be used for
conferences and speakers fees and/or expenses. Allocated $350 to
Sigma Epsilon Sigma to sponsor Intercollegiate Conference of Honor
Societies.

J. February 7, 1968: Seated Bert Krueger as replacement for Camille
Palmer. Heard, amended and approved report and recommendations of
Ad Hoc Committee on Student Health titled "Benefits Sought for Group
Health and Accident Insurance Policy for Students at UWM". Approved
Constitutions of Tau Omega and Alpha Omega.
K. February 21, 1968: Heard announcement of resignations of E. Spaights and R. McGaffey from SLIC. Allocated $575.00 to University Student Government for Model United Nations Conferences. Denied request from Honoratae for $175.00. Allocated $4,500.00 to UWM Post. Denied request of Phi Sigma Kappa for funds to purchase a hand-woven sweater for the UWM mascot. Allocated $70 to Volunteer Services Unlimited for one person to visit Columbia University tutorial projects. Referred Panhellenic Council-Interfraternity Council request of $400.00 for Peak Night to University Student Government. Voted to request $60,000 for the support of student activities for 1968-69.

L. March 5, 1968: (Executive Session) No actions taken.

M. March 6, 1968: Recommended to the UWM faculty that the UWM faculty explicitly endorse the SLIC "Statement on Civil Liberties and Job Recruitment at UWM", that the faculty endorse the USL and SLIC "Procedures for Pickets, Protests and Other Similar Demonstrations", and that the faculty strongly urge the administration to adhere to these policies - policies which do four important things: (1) enable the Dean of Student Affairs to call the signals on student demonstrations; (2) prevent excessive reaction to student protests; (3) enable the University, itself, through its own organs, to handle problems with student demonstrations; and (4) protect civil liberties for all parties and avoid escalation of conflicts. Allocated $400 to Interfraternity Council-Panhellenic Council Greek Week Committee for Peak Night. Approved constitutions for Iota Chi, Automotive Activities Association, Pre-Medical Association, and NAACP. Approved K 11-USL-53 revising the composition of the Calendar Committee. Approved K 12-USL-62 transferring responsibility for allocating monies to student organizations to USL. Approved K 12-USL-59 defining procedures for establishing new sororities.

III. Annual Reports of SLIC Subcommittees:

A. Report of Subcommittee on Finance:

1. Allocations and Budget:

   a. Distribution of funds approved by SLIC during the current year, to date:

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b. Recommended budgetary allocations for coming year 1968-69:

The Finance Subcommittee of SLIC reviewed the requests for funds for the school year 1968-69 on February 20, 1968. The committee considered requests by student organizations, expenditures of the current academic year and desirable future programs and activities for student organizations. In view of these considerations, the subcommittee recommended that SLIC request $60,000 for the year 1968-69. SLIC approved the recommendation at its February 21st meeting.

2. Other Activities:

    a. The subcommittee reviewed policies governing allocation of funds:

       (1) SLIC approved the following recommended changes in policy:

           (a) Honor societies are eligible to receive funds allocated by SLIC.

           (b) SLIC funds may be granted to organizations (determined eligible to request funds from SLIC) to be utilized for the operation of conferences.

       (2) SLIC also voted to include the following change:

           (a) SLIC funds may be utilized to pay speaker’s fees and/or expenses.

b. The subcommittee is presently studying the proposal by USG to increase student responsibility in the allocation of funds to student organizations.

    c. The subcommittee wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Gerald Hock, and to members of the faculty and student body who have assisted the committee in fulfilling its responsibilities.
SLIC Subcommittee on Finance

Faculty
Carol Baumann
Normand Bernier, Chmn.
Clagett Smith
Fred Strache

Students
Marshall Gratz
Kenneth Hunt
Michael Jacobi
Joyce Seiser

B. Report of Subcommittee on Program Evaluation and Development:

NO REPORT

SLIC Subcommittee on Program Evaluation and Development

Faculty
Ernest Spaight, Chmn.
until 2-21-68
Ted Crabb
Robert Ingle
Jean Waterland

Students
M. Hartley
Douglas McLeod
Allyn Miller
Bert Krueger

C. Report of Subcommittee on Publications:

The SLIC Subcommittee on Publications began in October, 1967, an
investigation of IVY financial status and publication plans for
1968. Assistant Chancellor John J. Solon made a preliminary survey
of IVY's financial status and requested a detailed budget statement
from Mr. Gerald Andrews, IVY Advisor, in November.

The then chairman of the Publications Subcommittee was transferred
to the vice chairmanship of SLIC in January. The subcommittee has
not since met.

SLIC Subcommittee on Publications

Faculty
J. Holzhauer, Chmn. to
11-29-67
R. McGaffey, Chmn. 11-29-67
to 2-21-68
B. Devitt
R. Milofsky
C. Wollaeger

Students
R. Fleissner
J. Houghton
R. Miller
D. Schmidt

D. Report of Subcommittee on Student Organizations and Legislative
Review:

During 1967-68, the Student Government and Organizations subcom-
mittee of the Student Life and Interests Committee concentrated
on three major activities:
1. Simplification of waiver procedures for students desiring to participate in student activities when on probationary status.

2. Revisions of policy to govern academic criteria required for student extracurricular activities, in particular seeking and holding student offices.

3. General discussions and ideas aimed at enhancing the quality, civility, and scope of political activity on this campus.

SLIC Subcommittee on Student Organizations and Legislative Review

Faculty
Edgar Litt, Chmn.
C. Hagensick
William Halloran
Carmen Witt

Students
Dan Burrell
Amy Henderson
Russell Prust
Fred Steinhauer
1. Recommendations:

That the UWM Faculty explicitly endorse the SLIC "Statement on Civil Liberties and Job Recruitment at UWM" (Statement I), that the Faculty endorse the USL and SLIC "Procedures for Pickets, Protests, and Other Similar Demonstrations" (Statement II), and that the Faculty strongly urge the administration to adhere to these policies -- policies which do four important things:

a. Enable the Dean of Student Affairs to call the signals on student demonstrations.

b. Prevent excessive reaction to student protests.

c. Enable the University, itself, through its own organs, to handle problems with student demonstrations.

d. Protect civil liberties for all parties and avoid escalation of conflicts.
Statement I:

A STATEMENT ON CIVIL LIBERTIES AND JOB RECRUITMENT AT UWM

1. The University of Wisconsin has a long-standing and consistent record of support for civil liberties, particularly the First Amendment freedoms of speech, press, and assembly.

2. The University's commitment to civil liberties is not only a commitment to popular causes, but involves (1) freedom for controversial persons invited to the campus to speak, and to communicate, and (2) the freedom of those who would join together with them to talk, listen, and engage in dialogue.

3. Such freedoms of assembly, speech, and press are violated when unpopular speakers are banned from campus, when controversial speakers invited to campus are not permitted to be heard, and when interested students are physically obstructed from meeting with and talking to prospective employers invited to campus.

4. University policy permits peaceful, non-disruptive, protest -- even peaceful picketing which does not interfere with the University's orderly conduct of its affairs. However, University policy does not -- and cannot -- condone those actions undertaken either by a tiny minority of students, or by an overwhelming majority, which would violate the rights of other students (or faculty) to assemble, speak, and exchange ideas and information. IT SHOULD BE CLEAR BEYOND ALL DISPUTE THAT THE CLAIM OF THOSE WHO WOULD SELECTIVELY BAN PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYERS, OR THOSE WHO WOULD BAN ALL JOB RECRUITMENT, BY PHYSICAL OBSTRUCTION, CANNOT BE BASED ON THE FIRST AMENDMENT.

5. The National Board of the American Civil Liberties Union declared on February 27, 1967, that "it considers it important to emphasize that it does not approve of demonstrators who deprive others of the opportunity to speak or be heard, or physically obstruct movement, or otherwise improperly disrupt ... legitimate educational or institutional processes." The proposed draft on a student bill of rights of AAUP takes precisely the same position. Moreover, this position has been endorsed by many other groups in higher education.

6. It is a very well established principle in American constitutional law that even peaceful or non-violent picketing may be restrained or punished if the picketing is devoted to the achievement of unlawful purposes or ends. It is elementary law that while picketing is a form of speech, it is also something more, and when it becomes a course of conduct designed to achieve an unlawful end, it is outside the scope of constitutional protection.

7. Moreover, it should be clear that law can wisely be employed to prevent the disruption of legitimate activities in public buildings. Such laws exist in Wisconsin as they do in every state of the United States. Those who would disrupt the legitimate activities of a University -- here
the right of students to meet and communicate with prospective employers in-
vited to campus by a bona fide organ of the University, or by chartered stu-
dent organizations -- can claim no immunity to punishment under University
rules or state laws simply because the public buildings are University build-
ings. Indeed, the University's generous interpretation of freedom of speech
for protesters or picketers is attested by the fact that there are no state
laws, to our knowledge, which permit the public to picket inside a public
building in the state of Wisconsin

8. Those who violate University rules and state law -- and the rights
of their fellow students -- should accept the clear-cut consequences of
their violation: punishment according to University rules or public arrest.

9. If the University were to allow such violations of basic freedoms
to persist, the consequences for freedom of assembly, speech, and press
would be catastrophic. A University, employing the dialogue, essential to
truth, would cease to exist. The University, its basic freedoms, its peace-
ful and orderly conduct of its legitimate activities, would be open to attack
by every extremist group, University or Non-University, which asserted its
objection to a meeting of students and prospective employers. Reason would
give way to force in the resolution of conflicts of opinion.

10. Those who disagree with any public and private policies must be
free to express such disagreement peacefully and in a non-disruptive
fashion. The University must protect their right to dissent peacefully
and to protest in a non-disruptive manner. To safeguard the right peacefully
to criticize government policy -- a vital safeguard in a democratic society
-- it is important to distinguish between disruptive and non-disruptive
protest.

11. The standard of a "clear and present danger" may sometimes be
prudently employed to postpone certain, otherwise legitimate, activities.
But a wise University will first seek to allow an unpopular or controver-
sial activity -- involving assembly, speech and press. It will do so by
employing its powers of rational persuasion, and its graduated sanctions,
to guard lawful assembly, speech, and press against unlawful interference.

12. If it is wise, a University will, in defense of its freedoms and
lawful activities, seek to minimize the use of physical coercion and will
prohibit the employment of brutal force. There can be no excuse for in-
discriminate brutality. Always, a graduated response to interference with
the University's bona fide activities is in order.

13. Those who violate University rules or state law should be clearly
notified of their violation by the Dean of Student Affairs or his duly
appointed representative. The consequences of such violation should be
clearly announced. To safeguard the innocent, those accidentally at the
scene of disruptive action should be given ample time to remove themselves
before the University invokes sanctions against those violating University
rules or state law. If the violation persists, a judicially obtained and
legally binding restraining order is then called for. Only when these rational and legal remedies have been exhausted should the University consider other measures: the employment of the University's own security forces; and -- only as a last resort -- involvement of the Milwaukee police. This is a resort to be avoided if at all possible. In a sane and humane democratic and constitutional society there can be no use of maiming force against peaceful and non-violent student protesters, or against policemen seeking to uphold law and order. To avoid the serious danger of the escalation of force, protests must be peaceful, non-violent, and non-disruptive. If they are not, and if the disruptive protesters persist in their violation of the rights of other students, and the orderly conduct of the University, they themselves must shoulder a portion of the blame when ultimate sanctions to protect basic freedoms and the University's legitimate activities are employed.

14. If, and only if, those who object to job recruitment by any company or agency, or to all recruitment, can convince the University by reasoned argument that such recruitment does not involve freedom of assembly, speech, and press, and a bona fide University activity, should University policy on open recruitment be reversed. Forums for such reasoned argument may be the following: SLIC, UWM Student Government, the UWM Faculty, and the Board of Regents. The Committee recommends that appropriate steps be taken as soon as possible to provide a proper forum for open discussion involving students and faculty on the present UWM policy on open recruitment.

15. Only if all involved in this controversy use good sense, may the University continue to carry on its activities in that spirit of reasoned and peaceful dialogue essential to the quest for truth.
Statement 10:

PROCEDURES FOR PICKETS, PROTESTS AND OTHER SIMILAR DEMONSTRATIONS

It has always been the policy of this university to encourage free speech and peaceful assembly on the part of its students.

In keeping with this policy, students and chartered student organizations may conduct orderly pickets and similar demonstrations on campus, provided that they notify the proper authorities of the demonstration and provided that the demonstration does not interfere with the normal educational process on campus or with the agency or group to which their protest is directed.

1. Any student or chartered student organization wishing to conduct a demonstration on campus must notify the Office of Student Affairs, Mitchell Hall 231, at least twenty-four (24) hours before the demonstration is to take place. This notification is to include:

   A. The completion of a form stating the time, place, and nature of the demonstration.

   B. A statement, signed by the person wishing to demonstrate, acknowledging that he has read this legislation and its appended recommendations.

2. The instructions of any person from the Office of Student Affairs or of the Campus Police to anyone involved with the demonstration are to be obeyed under all circumstances.

3. No student shall interfere with an orderly demonstration by means of physical action or other disorderly conduct.

4. Any student participating in a demonstration of which the Office of Student Affairs has not been duly notified may be subject to prosecution in the Student Court and, if found guilty, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed ten (10) dollars.

5. Any student involved with a demonstration who fails to obey the instructions of a person from the Office of Student Affairs or of the Campus Police shall be subject to prosecution in the Student Court and, if found guilty, may be subject to a fine of not less than five (5) nor more than fifty (50) dollars.

6. Any student who interferes with an orderly demonstration by means of physical action or other disorderly conduct shall be subject to prosecution in the Student Court and, if found guilty, may be subject to a fine of not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) dollars.

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7. If, in any case, it is the opinion of the Court that the aforesaid fines are not appropriate to the circumstances of the violation, the Court may submit a written recommendation for disciplinary action to the Dean of Student Affairs.

The following are recommendations to persons conducting campus demonstrations:

Insofar as the rules governing campus demonstrations have been kept to a minimum, it will be necessary for you to exercise your own good judgment in keeping your demonstration orderly. Although, for instance, no provision has been made in the bill to prohibit vulgarity on placards, this would constitute disorderly conduct under civil law.

Good taste is another area in which your good judgment will be necessary. Should a spectator be so insulted or offended as to take physical action against a demonstrator, no amount of disciplinary action taken against him will unblacken the demonstrator's eye.

It is to be expected that you will choose a time and place for your demonstration that will produce a maximum of student attention. However, if a large crowd gathers and the place you have chosen is in a campus traffic pattern, it may become necessary for someone from the Office of Student Affairs or a member of the Campus Police to request that you move. While it is realized that it is the spectators and not the demonstrators who are blocking the passage of other students, the only workable method to clear a path is to look upon the demonstration as the "first cause" and ask the demonstrators to move.

It is hoped that the necessity of notifying the Office of Student Affairs and the necessity of following the instructions of those in authority will not be construed as limits on your rights to free speech and peaceful demonstrations. It is only by such rules that these rights can be protected.
STUDENT LIFE AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE

Faculty
Normand Bernier
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Edgar Litt
Ruth McCaffey - Until 2-21-68
Earl Ratledge, Chairman
Neal Riemer
Ernest Spaights - Until 2-21-68
Russell Robinson - Until 11-29-67
Barbara Zakrzewska - Until 11-29-67

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Michael Jacobi

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Richard Fleissner
Dan Burrill - After 11-29-67
Camille Palmer - 11-29-67 to 2-7-68
Bert Krueger - After 2-7-68
David Ranks - Until 11-8-67
John Houghton - After 12-13-67
Fred Steinhauser - After 12-13-67
Michael Sullivan - 11-29-67 to 1-10-68
Allyn Miller - After 1-10-68

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