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THE NOVA KNIGHT

November 20, 1984

CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY

The Student Government Association passed a bylaw last week establishing a course of action for redrafting an SGA constitution. The legislation comes after two weeks of dispute over the "working constitution", an unratified draft under which the SGA theoretically operates.

After two hours of heated debate over a resolution submitted by Arthur Frischman and James Levey, the resolution passed by a 7-0 vote (two abstentions) and became a bylaw. The new bylaw makes provisions for the selection of seven delegates to a constitutional assembly in an open election by the student body. It also provides for the assembly to be self-governing, and to have the power to call for a ratification vote by the student body.

The primary opposition to the resolution came from the SGA president, Edward Artau, who argued that power of the constitutional assembly should not be unrestricted. Mr. Artau submitted to the meeting a 7-point proposal combining suggestions, general courses of action, and specific guidelines related to the issues. In the discussion of the proposal there

were no major disagreements except on the fifth point which reads:

The assembly will consist of no less than 7 members and no more than 11 members. A quorum of members must be present to pass any constitutional issues. This assembly will exist independent of the S.G.A. officers, and will help serve to check and balance the S.G.A. officers on constitutional issues. However, as a safeguard to the students, a check and balance measure requiring a majority vote by the assembly for approval of constitutional issues is necessary. If a stalemate is reached, and prompt resolution of a matter at question cannot be accomplished by the delegates alone, the assembly will call in a ranking S.G.A. official to act as special envoy (Having one vote to break an existing stalemate). Non-mandatory input from the S.G.A. officers is also recommended if a stalemate is reached.

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BYLAW#1

Recognizing the need for the careful completion and expediant ratification of the SGA constitution, the SGA shall adopt the following procedure:

- (1) Seven delegates shall be elected to serve in a constitutional assembly by the following procedure:
 - (a) All full-time Day Program students may file a declaration of candidacy with the student activities director on or before Friday, November 30. A petition containing the signatures of ten Day Program students shall be required.
 - (b) The SGA officers shall schedule a date for a general election, to be held no more than two weeks after the final filing date. The SGA officers may schedule election related events as they see fit.
 - (c) All candidates shall be listed on the ballot in the general election, and each Day Program student shall be entitled to vote for seven different candidates. The seven candidates receiving the greatest number of votes shall become delegates. Any relevant ties shall be broken by the vote of the SGA officers.
 - (d) Election procedures not specified shall be the same as those commonly used in the election of SGA officers.
- (2) Decisions of the assembly shall be made by a majority vote of the delegates present at official meetings of the assembly (quorum of 5). The candidate receiving the most votes in the general election shall act as chairman of the assembly until the delegates can elect one. The delegates shall also elect a secretary, who will be responsible for taking minutes at all assembly meetings, as well as keeping a file of all original documents turned in to the assembly. Assembly discussion shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order unless the delegates elect another procedure.

- (3) The minutes from assembly meetings as well as all documents submitted to the assembly are documents of public record, and must be made available, within two school days, to any Day Program student upon request. Failure to comply with this rule provides grounds for impeachment of those responsible. Delegates are subject to the same grounds for impeachment, and the same impeachment proceedings as the SGA officers. Any delegate leaving office must be replaced through a special election by the delegates.
- (4) The ultimate purpose of the constitutional assembly is to provide the students of the Nova College Day Program with a ratified constitution. Toward this end, the assembly shall have the power to call for a ratification vote by a 2/3 vote of all delegates. The delegates must submit a draft for ratification by March 1, 1985.
- (5) The assembly shall be dissolved upon the ratification of a constitutional draft by the student body. Until ratification is attained, new delegates shall be elected each year at the same time as the SGA officers.

Voting Record

In Favor: Theresa Lane (Secretary), Mitch Taylor (Treasurer), Effie Kallas (Public Relations Dir.), Christos Ellinides, Arthur Frischman, James Levey, and Bonnie Rosen.

Abstaining: Eddie Artau (President), and Robert Lanelas (Vice President).

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Abraham S. Fischler
President

MEMORANDUM

TO: Faculty Staff, and Students of Nova University
FROM: Abraham S. Fischler, President *(Signature)*
DATE: November 19, 1984
RE: Discount on purchase of IBM Personal Computers

Nova University is pleased to announce an Education Affiliate Discount Agreement with the IBM Corporation for IBM Personal Computers.

This agreement entitles the faculty, staff, and students of Nova University to qualify for a 30% discount on the purchase of IBM PC's and up to 40% discount on IBM PC jr's. The following Personal Computers will be available for purchase through this agreement:

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IBM PC/XT
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Entertainment

** JACKSONS VICTORY TOUR **

Camping outside Specs the night before the tickets went on sale, I wondered if sleeping on the sidewalk was a fair price to pay for the concert. ...boy am I glad I sacrificed a night of comfortable sleep!!!

The Jacksons Victory tour concert, which was held at the Orange Bowl Stadium on November 2 and 3, was an exceptional event in the world of music. The Orange Bowl was at full capacity both nights of the concert.

The stage was set in the end-zone of the stadium. A large video screen was placed high on a scaffold to ensure everybody had a close look at the group. The Jacksons named their tour a "Victory Tour" after the ... historical event (which I'm sure everybody remembers) of Michael pulling the Magic Sword from a stone and killing all the evil monsters!!!(Remember the video?)



Emerging from underneath the stage in a shower of white light, the group opened with the smash (..or mash) hit "You've Gotta be Starting Something". In fact, the brilliant light show, which was quite mesmeric, enhanced all of their songs. They sang a medley of their old hits, which ended with Michael's solo "I'll be There". After a short intermission, The Jacksons returned to the stage and did an extended version of "Beat It". The show ended with a spectacular fireworks display.

Thanks for coming to South Florida guys, I'd recommend your fine performance to anyone. (Next time someone please remind me to take a lounge chair when I camp out!!!!)

L.A.

Arthur's Page



i. this is guido. that layabout knave-of-a-page of arthur's is at the
 roward county fair and he forgot to write his column. _____
 normally i would simply laugh at him and go on to the next page of yet another
 one of j.l. borges' masterpieces...but after what _____
 .p. said about me two issues ago, i couldn't resist the opportunity to be the
 page's archie. --do you recall the _____
 quaint story of archie the cockroach and his friend mehitabel question mark.
 the cockroach like me cannot be in two parts of _____
 the keyboard at the same time so he typed in lowercase. it is indeed fortu-
 nate that arthur's page lacks an expanded reality _____
 r awareness. as an example of his narrow-mindedness, he is refusing to at-
 tend any event at the b.c. fair with the name _____
 sun-sentinel next to it. i've got his copy of the fair's program in front of
 me. he crossed out the sun-sentinel ice show which _____
 happens at 7.30 pm and at 9.30 pm on thanksgiving day. he believes that on
 the day of thankfulness we must be solemn. _____
 what a puritan. _____

Now for a good joke i read in the page's notes on ken kesey's speech to the
 fami book fair international--- _____
 quasimodo was getting old and he advertised for a replacement. a guy named
 pseudomodo showed up one day and quasi took him up to the belfry. _____
 the bell has no clapper. you have to swing the bell and let the edge hit your
 forehead, like this,' and quasimodo demonstrated. the bell sang with a joyful
 boooooonnnnnngggg'...'there, now you try, pseudomodo.' _____
 the applicant swung the bell and by mistake he lets the edge of the bell hit
 his nose instead of his forehead. the bell goes 'thunk' instead of ringing,
 pseudomodo gets hit from the belfry and...sssssssssss-plop... he dies with an
 agonizing scream. _____

A crowd has gathered around the bloody heap when quasimodo approached and the
 mayor of paris asked him, 'do you know this man question mark' _____
 quasimodo looks at the dead man and says, 'his face doesn't ring a bell.'
 ardone mois. with bibliophilia, _____

Guido _____



REGISTER

Men, if you're within one month of your 18th birthday, it's time to register with Selective Service.

It's simple. Just go down to your local post office, fill out a card and hand it to a postal clerk.

No, this is not a draft. No one has been drafted in over 10 years. You're just adding your name to a list in case there's a national emergency. So register now.

**Register.
It's Quick. It's Easy.
And it's the Law.**



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Those who opposed the point argued successfully that it granted S.G.A. officers unjustified and unnecessary control over the assembly.

The by-law appears in its complete form on pages 2 and 3.

J.L.

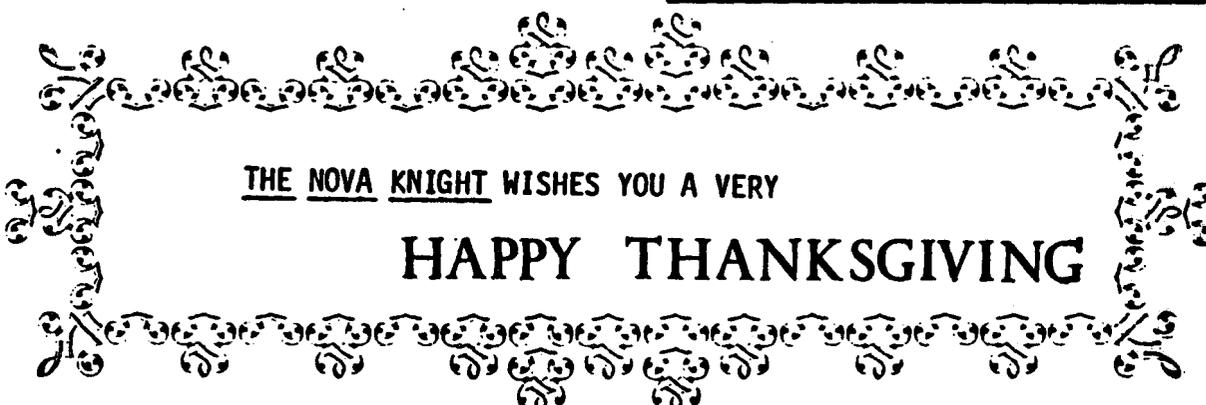
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