

# Student-faculty committee eyed

Recommendations from the Academic Development Committee (ADC) for the establishment of a joint student/faculty committee "to consider matters related to student evaluation and instruction" were passed by the General Faculties Council (GFC) Executive Committee Monday.

The GFC Executive Committee screens agenda items appearing before GFC; the report will move to consideration by GFC.

Debate on the recommendations centered on whether to regard the ADC report as a call for a "course guide." An amendment to include a reference to

"the compilation of course guides" was defeated.

Speaking after the meeting of Dr. P. Browne, Assistant Dean of Education, commented that the inclusion of "course guide" in the recommendations would be undesirable, since the memory of past course guides might prejudice GFC's deliberation.

Browne is chairperson for the Committee to Investigate Teaching (CIT), which collaborated on the ADC report. The CIT was established in 1969 to consider questions arising from the first U of A course guide, published in 1968.

Browne said there must be a means for reporting the results of

investigations, but this does not necessarily mean a course guide like those previously produced.

"I personally do not believe such a course guide would be of value to students at a large university," said U of A president Dr. Harry Gunning in the debate.

He did not favor an "irresponsible act of releasing evaluation to the four winds" to be used by "all parties to their indiscretion."

Gunning added the committee's value would be undermined if they "turn off" instructors by making judgements public.

Browne countered by asserting there is a "morality" involved

in assessing instructors, such as perhaps withholding student evaluation of a novice professor. "But realities must be dealt with," she said. "If a person is a rotten instructor, that person must be made to face the music."

She added the "overwhelming question of evaluating instructors" tends to obscure the unquestioned benefits of the proposed study such as evaluation of course content, orientation and requirements.

Browne noted irony in the debate: "The literature we've studied indicates a tendency for students to have inflated opinions of their instructors."



Ronald Savitt

## Chairman

Dr. Ronald Savitt has been appointed chairman of the department of marketing and economic analysis in the Faculty of Business Administration and Commerce at the U of A.

The appointment which runs until June 30, 1980, was announced at the meeting of the University's Board of Governors held Friday.

The department of marketing and economic analysis within the Faculty of Commerce came into being last year with the reorganization of that faculty into a departmental administrative structure.

Dr. Savitt, an associate professor, joined the staff of the U of A in 1973. Previous to that he had served for one year as Fullbright Professor in Marketing at the School of Administrative Sciences of the Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey.

He has also had academic appointments at Boston University in Massachusetts and in 1970-71 he served as senior economist for National Economic Research Associates Inc. of New York.

Dr. Savitt earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree at the University of Pennsylvania in 1967. He had previously gained an MBA and BA at the University of California.

## Home econo

Home Economics Week, designed to present the interests and aspirations of career-minded Home Ec. undergraduates to the university, began Saturday and continues until the end of this week.

The week features a continuing informational display in the Home Ec. building, a hockey game with the CHED good guys Wednesday, a Greaser Dance Thursday, a "Walking Rally" Friday and formal dance Saturday.

Further information will appear in Gateway footnotes.

## Circle K looks for volunteers

Have you ever thought that you might want to do some volunteer work in your spare time? Perhaps you looked at a few volunteer organizations but decided not to get involved because of the time commitment it entailed or the type of work didn't suit you. Maybe you haven't even started looking. In any event, if you have a sincere desire to do some volunteer work then the Circle K Club may be just what you're looking for.

Circle K is not a square-dance or rodeo club as the name might imply but rather a volunteer service club with an interest in helping people on and off campus. The club's policy is suited to the student's availability, so that each member is free to choose the volunteer activity he or she is interested in and the amount of time he or she is

willing to donate. Club members are currently involved with senior citizens, Uncles-at-Large, Youth Development Centre for juvenile offenders, tutoring people with learning disabilities, helping foreign immigrants with conversational English, and much more. On-campus activities include working with the Red Cross blood drive, student HELP, and freshman orientation. Each activity has one or two coordinators

### Law course

A crash course in planning law will be given in the music rooms of the Central Library, January 13.

The course is designed to provide basic principals of planning law in Alberta with maps, diagrams and charts to show how land use controls are supposed to operate.

that arrange for meeting times and contact the organizations involved.

Club members also get together every so often for social activities. Present membership stands at around 40 people. Circle K has no membership dues and meetings are held every two weeks.

If you would like more infor-

mation on the club drop by our booth in SUB some time this week, or come to our office, room 616 SUB (432-2677). Information can also be obtained from Keith (433-8428) or Danita (434-5209).

The first meetings of the term will be held this Thursday, Jan. 13th, in room 280 SUB at 8 p.m. All interested people are welcome to attend.

## Hire A Student

The Hire-A-Student program is looking for an experienced secretary who is attending University full time.

1. Salary - \$4.00 per hour part time \$615/mo full time
2. Part time work begins immediately with full time work commencing in April after final exams.
3. Part time hours will vary from January to April. Full time hours will be 8:30 - 4:30 Monday through Friday.
4. Person must be able to type 45 w.p.m. accurately. Person with some book-keeping or accounting experience is preferred.
5. Person will be doing necessary typing, filing and book-keeping for the Hire-A-Student Program.
6. Interested applicants apply to the University Manpower Centre, 4th Floor SUB.



## STUDENTS COUNCIL SPEAKER

Applications are being accepted for the position of Students' Council Speaker to act from **January 27th to March 31st**. Ideally the Speaker would continue for the 1977-78 term.

Forms are to be obtained from and returned to the Students' Union Receptionist, Room 256, SUB.

The Council Speaker is responsible for:

- (a) Calling to order meetings of Students' Council
- (b) Chairing meetings of Students' Council
- (c) Preparing the Agendas and publishing the official minutes of Council Meetings.

The Speaker earns a fee of **\$25.00/meeting**. For more information contact Eileen Gillese, Vice-President, Finance and Administration, Room 259 SUB. Phone 432-4236.

Also: Students' Council Speaker By-Law available from Receptionist upon request.

## BOOKS 1/2 PRICE

Fri. Jan. 14 VCF Book Exchange  
Bearpit, SUB



## S.U. GENERAL ELECTION

### Positions open

Offices of the Executive Committee:

- President
- Vice President (Executive)
- Vice President (Finance and Administration)
- Vice President (Academic)
- Vice President (Services)

- Pres. Women's Athletics
- Vice Pres. Women's Athletics
- Pres. Men's Athletics
- Vice Pres. Men's Athletics

Student Representative on the Board of Governors

Inquire at S.U. General Office

## POLL STAFF REQUIRED General Election

\$3.00 an hour, Feb. 11

Inquire at S.U. General Office