

Excalibur survey

New CYSF post a waste of money, students

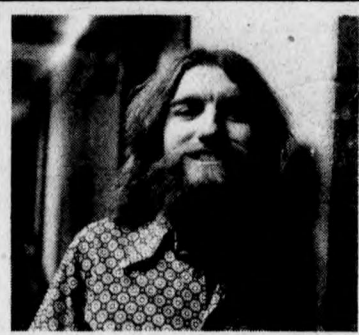
The following survey was conducted by Excalibur writers David Saltmarsh and Betty Hutton in the Central Square. Excalibur photo editor Peter Hsu conducted the survey in Complex I.

In an Excalibur survey conducted this week, a majority of students indicated they did not agree with president-elected Barry Edson's proposal to create a new post, executive assistant, to help with the duties stemming from the president's office.

The executive assistant would be paid a salary of between \$2,000 and \$3,000 a year.

The random survey conducted in Central Square and Complex I asked students if they were familiar with Edson's proposal and whether they agreed with him, or not.

Of the 60 students asked, only 32 said they were familiar with the



Dan Milligan told Excalibur that the executive assistant would cost more money than he or she would be worth.

Three said they didn't know enough to give an opinion.

Students gave a myriad of reasons why the position should not be instituted.

The most often mentioned response from the dissenting voters was that the cost to the council would be too high to merit the creation of the post. Nine persons gave this reason for disagreeing with the creation of the post.

Another three persons said the

position of executive assistant would be redundant and that the president should do the job himself. Still three more said if the position were created, the salary for the executive assistant should be appropriated from the president's salary.

Other reasons mentioned were that Edson was acting unethically, that no mention of the creation of such a post was made during the election and that the president shouldn't carry courses and collect a full salary at the same time. One student said the proposal was part of an Edson conspiracy.

Of the nine students who agreed

with the proposal, four said the new post would increase the efficiency of the president's office and two said the president's job was too big to be handled by one individual. One student said, "If he (Edson) sees it in his best in-

terest, then it's okay" and another said it was just a good thing to do.

Of the not sure voters, two said they didn't know enough about the issue to hazard a judgement and one said he didn't know why Edson was creating the post.



The Excalibur reporter found Donna McGuinness eating in her room, but he persisted and Donna complied with his request. Yes, she told him, she did agree with president-elected Barry Edson's proposal. It would increase the efficiency of his office, she said.



ULS presidential nominee Gail Silzer thinks the whole thing would result in a waste of money. Silzer was the runner-up to Edson in the presidential elections.



No, said Coleen O'Brien to the question of the creation of a new CYSF administrative post, executive assistant. This opinion was shared by most informed people questioned.

proposal. A large portion of the informed students, however, indicated they did not believe the post was necessary.

Twenty of 32 said the position of executive assistant was not necessary, while 9 believed in the rightness of Edson's proposal.



The executive assistant would be redundant, said Bob Korman when asked for his opinion. Why can't the president do it himself? he asks.

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