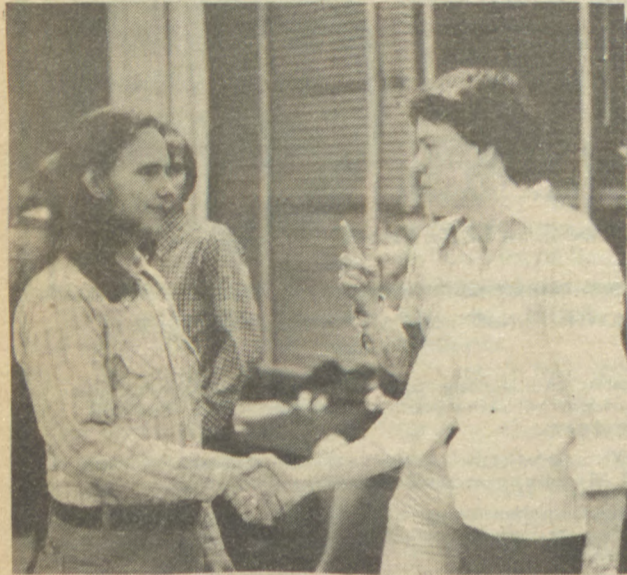


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Congress votes against removal



President found guilty twice but only 4 vote to oust

By Robln O'Grady
Sail Associate Editor

University Congress voted against removing Congress President Gary Foster from office Wednesday night despite the fact that he was found guilty of two impeachable offenses.

During a 4 and one-half hour long special meeting, Congressmembers reviewed the charges made against Foster, addressed questions to both him and the authors of those charges, and voted on the validity of each charge.

Originally Foster was accused of 10 offenses which included:

- Five counts of unauthorized expenditures of funds.
- Failure to uphold Congress legislation.
- Consumption of marijuana in the Congress office.
- Lack of directed leadership.

- Lack of office hours.

- Failure to accurately report the financial status of University Congress.

Two of these were dropped at the beginning of the meeting by the authors of the charges, Congressmembers Amy Snipes and Bruce Babcock.

The first charge accused Foster of

using a University Motor Pool vehicle to move his personal belongings.

Snipes said she withdrew the action because Foster had paid the money back two days after impeachment proceedings were initiated.

Foster's remuneration occurred a day after he was questioned concerning his use of a university vehicle for private purposes. At that time, however, Foster stated that he had already paid back the money.

Snipes also withdrew the marijuana offense because she said, "I am not a cop. A cop is the one who should make charges like that."

After Snipes and Babcock read and explained the remaining eight charges, Foster was allowed 20 minutes to respond.

Foster denied using Congress funds illegally and said that in the Congressional by-laws there were only three sections that dealt with the way student activity fee money could be spent.

"There is no line that says the president can and cannot spend money," he said. "It is the president's responsibility to oversee the use of student activity fee money and authorize expenditures."

"This authorization has not been restricted by Congress, it is the responsibility of Congress to do so, but they have not."

Foster responded specifically to a charge that he had requested reimbursement (continued on page 11)

Gary Foster (left) shakes hands with Bruce Babcock after Congress voted 15-4 to retain him as President. Babcock and Amy Snipes (picture on right), who authored the 10 charges brought against Foster, both voted down some of their own charges at the Wednesday meeting. During an interview later Foster said: "What I thought the meeting came down to was a show of criticism but also a show of support. 15 Congressmembers said that they did not believe I should be removed." With only three weeks left until a new Congress president takes over, Foster said that preparing for the next presidential administration was a high priority. "We've got to end politics at the election and start compromising and developing a consensus." (Photos by Phil Foley)

Senate committee to look at course structure change

By Gall DeGeorge
Sail Staff Writer

The establishment of three ad hoc committees to study general education requirements, course credit changes, and an entry year program was supported at the University Senate meeting held Thursday, November 16.

"The intent of the Steering Committee is to begin to start to implement parts of the planning document," said George Matthews, vice-provost. Each of the resolutions are consistent with the University Planning Document, according to the agenda.

At the request of Provost Fredrick Obeare, the committees are being created by the Senate Academic Policy and Planning Committee (APPC). A rough draft of charges and suggested membership of the committees was sent by Obeare to the APPC on November 1. It is currently being revised by the committee and will be presented at the December 7 Senate meeting.

The commission on general education will recommend a policy "in regards to all university general education as a component of all undergraduate degree programs," according to the draft. A preliminary report will be made by October 1979, with final recommendations being presented by October 1980.

According to Edward Heubel, chairperson of the APPC, the committee will consist of 12 faculty members, two administrators and three students.

Alternatives "to the present four credit system as a means of achieving curricular flexibility," according to the agenda, will be studied by the committee on course credits. The draft of the charges specifies that the committee will study the "ramifications" of a shift from a four to a three-credit system.

The charge also states, however, that the alternatives "should not be taken as restrictive, the committee might discover more satisfactory alternatives."

The committee may recommend no changes, said Matthews.

Mel Chernow, director of the Honors College, noted that another alternative is to shift from the present semester to a quarter system, although it "is unpopular with our President, Donald O'Dowd."

Chernow said the committee should not overlook that alternative, despite its title indicating primary concern with course credit changes.

Joel Russell, associate professor of chemistry, said that some alternatives, particularly the change to a three credit system, may concern faculty working conditions. If so, he said, the issue "may not be able

to be resolved solely by the Senate."

The committee will include four faculty members or deans, two students and one or two administrators, according to Heubel. It will report to the Senate by October, 1979.

The third ad hoc committee (continued on page 14)

Embattled sergeant resigns post

By Gall DeGeorge
Sail Staff Writer

Former sergeant John Simmons resigned from OU's Public Safety department on Tues. Nov. 14.

The decision to resign "was a value judgement," said Simmons. "We (he and his family) talked about it and decided it would be more beneficial to sever ties with the University."

Simmons, a nine year veteran with the force, was suspended last August for failing to report to work on a Friday night. A Seventh Day Adventist, his religion prohibits him from working on sundown Friday to sundown Saturday.

He was reinstated to the department as a result of a decision reached on Oct. 30 in the fourth step of an appeal procedure.

Although the decision was

binding to the university, Simmons said he "couldn't trust his present employer...the whole thing might be brought up again." His resignation "was my personal reservation, my personal decision," he said,

"there was no intimidation."

His present job, Simmons said, has allowed him to practice his faith "with no problems...my employer simply asked for a letter from my church."

SAGA vegetable contained 'grasshopper or cricket'

By Scott Derrick
Sail Staff Writer

An OU student did find an insect in her broccoli two weeks ago, but it was not a cockroach, according to an investigator from the Oakland County Health Department's Environmental Health division.

Student Kim Eutz said in a letter in the November 6 *Sail*, "I was eating my broccoli and had the misfortune of finding a cockroach in it."

She went on to say that she complained to the manager of

the Vandenberg cafeteria, Donald K. Mau, who told her that he had recently had a similar complaint.

Because of the complaints, the entire 50 to 60 pound unused lot of broccoli has been sent back to the purveyor, Gordon Food Service. "Until they get the product shaped up, we will not use the product," said Mau.

Gordon supplies all of SAGA's food supplies except (continued on page 4)

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MONTHLY UNDERGRADUATE MATHEMATICS CONTEST

Rules:

1. The contest is open to all undergraduate students at Oakland University. Problem A is for students who have not taken any math courses beyond MTH 254. Problem B is open to all undergraduates.
2. A prize will be awarded for the first correct solution in each category received through campus mail. All solutions must be self-explanatory and well-written.
3. In case of ties, the mathematical style of a solution will be used to determine the winner. If several solutions are deemed to be of equal merit, the final selection will be on the basis of random draw.
4. Send answers to Undergraduate Math Contest, Department of Mathematical Sciences.

A. A dictator once decided to grant amnesty to 1000 prisoners—each locked in individual cells numbered 1, 2, 3, ..., 1000. His amnesty worked as follows: The jailor first unlocked each of the 1000 cells. Then starting with the second cell (number 2), he turned the key in every second cell. Then starting with the third cell, he turned the key in every third cell; then starting with the fourth cell, he turned the key in every fourth cell; etc. Each turn of the key either locked or unlocked a cell door. When he was completely done, those with unlocked doors could leave. Which prisoners were set free?

B. Is the 5-by-5 matrix A equals $(a(i, j))$, defined below, singular or nonsingular? (No computer solutions will be accepted.)

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a(2, 4)	75004,	a(2, 5)	26972,	a(3, 1)	72530,	a(3, 2)	97706,
a(3, 3)	52327,	a(3, 4)	50042,	a(3, 5)	75236,	a(4, 1)	58728,
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Write-ins heat up presidential race

Fascist candidate says he's 'off the wall'

By Chris Burkil-Bery
Sail Staff Writer

Jay Dunstan, a write-in candidate for Congress President, is being supported by the student group Friends For Fascism, (F³).

"I am running just basically off the wall," said Dunstan. "Anyone who votes for me will be casting a protest vote against Congress."

"Don't let anyone get carried away with the word fascist. We could have used anything—Republican or Labor Party. It's really just to get people to look at the poster."

Dunstan said he decided to become a candidate "just for the sake of having two candidates." Previously there had only been one, Mary Sue Rogers. Now there are three: Dunstan, Rogers, and Dave Ross.

Dunstan, 20, is a journalism major at OU and a staff writer for *The Oakland Sail*. He commutes from Royal Oak where he lives with his parents. Dunstan works at Kibby Laboratories in Hazel Park making prints for advertisers.

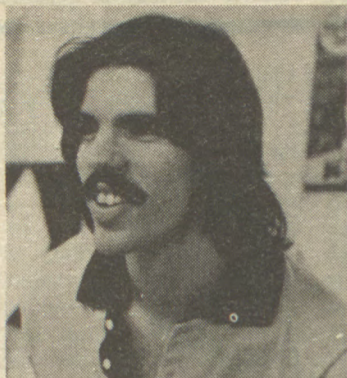
At Dondero High School, in Royal Oak, Dunstan was sports editor and chief photographer of *The Acorn*, (the

school newspaper), in his senior year. During the same time he was president of a student writer's group and treasurer of the school band.

Dunstan said he wants the referendum on the athletic fee, (\$5 for full-time and \$3.50 for part-time students), to pass. He said it is a difficult issue because commuters don't use the facilities as much as dorm students.

"I don't feel that to be a good university, OU has to have a super-great athletic program," said Dunstan. "I do feel that if the athletic fee passes that hours—open hours—for students to use

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Dunstan: a protest vote



Ross: pissed and frustrated

Congress is blind says 'mad' write-in candidate

By Elise D'Haene
Sail Staff Writer

Dave Ross, write-in candidate for University Congress President, is "thoroughly pissed and frustated with Congress," and that's the reason he's in the running.

Ross proposed that, "Congress will work within the framework it has now, or change the whole framework and get rid of Congress."

Ross' proposed framework would consist of a SAB chair, CLB chair, and two student senators.

"I see a lot of potential in energy, money, and time being wasted," said Ross, "and students who are constantly fighting with students instead of compromising and working

together."

"I'm Mad" is Ross' basic message directed towards "students not usually involved with politics here." These are "non-traditional students who have no effective means of dealing with their problems within the University."

Congress' problem is that it's over involved with itself," said Ross. "99 percent of its time and energy is spent internally."

When asked about the present Congress President, Gary Foster, Ross said, "Gary's downfall was that although he represented opposition and wanted to make some changes, he was still sucked into the system. He is being impeached because he had the initiative to act within his authority as Congress President in order to get things done."

"Congress is blind," said Ross, "I've heard members vote to impeach him but will not vote to remove him. If they're working with that mentality, something is wrong."

Mary Sue Rogers, also running for Congress President, won't do a good job because, Ross said, "she is too much a part of the system that has made Congress the way it is."

Discussing the recent controversy over Rogers' resignation as Executive Assistant to Congress, Ross said, "She should have been fired before this. As Executive Assistant she hasn't done her job."

Congress has no leadership and has done nothing and that's her responsibility to a large extent," said Ross. "She had her chance. Her record speaks for itself, it's silence,"

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Former EA slams write-ins

By Elise D'Haene
Sail Staff Writer

Mary Sue Rogers, candidate for University Congress President, was unopposed until Jay Dunstan and Dave Ross announced their candidacy for the position.

"Both of them lack the experience to run Congress efficiently," said Rogers in an interview Friday. "You have to have an established

reputation to get things done, they lack the resources with administration," which is a vital link for the students.

"Jay is less qualified of the two," said Rogers, "but because of Dave's accusations against Congress, he'll have a hard time establishing a good rapport with Congressmembers," said Rogers.

Ross had charged Rogers with not doing an effective job as Executive Assistant. He said, "she should have been fired before this (her resignation). As Executive Assistant she hasn't done her job," Ross said.

Rogers disagreed. "I don't think he (Ross) knows what I do. I think the job I've done this past year had laid groundwork for next year's Executive Assistant." "He doesn't know what I did or didn't do," she said. "I haven't seen Dave at Congress meetings this whole semester."

Commenting on Ross' and Dunstan's ideas of radically changing and possibly abolishing Congress altogether, Rogers said, "Rather than a radical change, you make

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Presidential candidates air views at press conference

By Don Schelske
Special to the Sail

In the upcoming election for University Congress President, the main issue seems to be the basic structure of the student governing body.

Candidates Dave Ross, Mary Sue Rogers, and Jay Dunstan shared their views during a press conference before a group of OU journalism students last Thursday.

Ross, in a campaign to either improve the present Congress structure or abolish it, called for more effective use of student activity fees. He has served as a reporter for the *Oakland Sail*, and has covered Congress activities. According to Ross, "the problem Congress has had is ineffectual leadership." He said that much time and money is wasted because Congressmembers are ill-informed and not prepared to intelligently act on issues of concern.

Rogers disagreed, saying that Congressmembers are relatively knowledgeable and informed, and that the basic



Congress presidential candidates Dave Ross, Mary Sue Rogers, and Jay Dunstan field questions from journalism students about their campaigns. (Photo by Phil Foley)

Internal structure of the University Congress is good.

She called for Congress to proceed to improving external operations, saying that the Congress needs to become "more service oriented...more visible."

Rogers cited her nine months' experience as Executive Assistant to Congress President Gary Foster as one

of her main assets.

"I know what the internal organization is...I know how it works. I won't need the first three months to get organized," she said.

Write-in candidate Jay Dunstan has a different view altogether on the structure of University Congress. His idea is to eliminate all the committees and make the Congress, literally, a one-man operation.

All OC locks changed after keys are stolen

By Phil Foley
Sail News Editor

On Friday November 3rd, Gil Crittendon, assistant director of the Oakland Center had his keys stolen. The next two days were rather tense since the keys included the master keys for the OC.

According to OC Director Bill Marshall, no memo was sent out warning building tenants because, "We didn't know who stole the keys and we wanted to keep it as quiet as possible."

By Monday afternoon the outside doors of the OC had new locks and all but a few student organization offices had new locks by Friday,

November 10th.

Marshall said that the total cost of changing all the locks was under \$400. That included an extra 14 hours of night manager time on the weekend when the security of the OC was in question.

According to Crittendon, the night managers were paid their regular hourly wage for the extra time because, "no one was forced to work overtime...it was all on a volunteer basis."

Marshall said the cost of changing the locks will be covered by the OC's operating budget since its insurance policy does not cover the first \$5000.