Witt offers amendments

By Alvin M. Ebben
Undergraduate Association President Michael P. Witt '84 presented his proposals for exten-
sive changes to the UA constitu-
tion at a UA General Assembly
meeting last night.

Witt's proposals, which he
stressed are open to discussion
and modification, involve the
creation of three new governmen-
tal bodies:

- A UA Council which would
  replace the General Assembly
  and assume all budgetary, legisla-
tive and representative powers of
  the Undergraduate Association.
  Its membership would consist of
  five representatives from each
class, to be elected in the spring
  of each academic year.
- A Student Senate, which
  would consist of one representa-
tive from each fraternity or
  sorority.
- A Joint Committee of the
  General Assembly which
  would serve as a forum for
  discussion of issues affecting
  the entire student body.

The first grievance addressed
was tuition increases. "Tuition
increases have been on the order
of six percent while inflation has
been on the order of three per-
cent. Yet we are not reasoning
and more service," said Cowan.

"Your view is that tuition has
doubled in five years. In real dol-
lar terms the last tuition increase
was 12 percent in only seven years. Is MIT's
education 32 percent better? Do
professors deserve 32 percent
more of their time to teaching?" said
Cowan.

Cowan also identified changes
in the MIT treasurer's report.
"Last year's treasurer's report
said that 1975-6 tuition was
$3850. This makes tuition in-
creasing $175,000 by a student who was
in the Student Center Library.

"The figures are comparable,
however," said Strehle. "The
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aided in Athena terminals.

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"Colleges have the option to
take reasonable measures to pro-
"college students against the foresee-
ble criminal acts of third par-
"ter" said the Massachusetts
Supreme Judicial Court in its de-

breach of the no-trespassing law.

"The terminal room is ex-
pected to be completed in the fall
of 1986 unless some major obstacle
surfaces," said Bruce. The pro-
posal has been sent to the Insti-
tute Committee on Resources and
Space Planning for recommenda-
tions. No specific rooms for the
terminals were proposed by SIPS,
SCC or Bruce. Zabih said, how-
ever, that some conference rooms in
Salisbury Hall are rarely used and could be convert-
ted to terminal rooms.

Phase I of Project Athena,
which ends in September 1986,
will include the construction of
work stations, minis and main-
frames to be installed. Almost
15,000 square feet remain unallo-
cated.
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World

Lebanese Army collapses, Marines isolated — Druze militiamen drove the Lebanese Army out of Beirut, leaving US Marines nearly surrounded at their airport compound. Druze leader Walid Jumblatt said President Amin Gemayel must resign and be tried for “crimes,” such as calling for US support.

Canadian groups attempt to block cruise missile — A coalition of 26 anti-nuclear groups is attempting in the Canadian Supreme Court to forbid the planned testing of US cruise missiles over Canadian territory. The Canadian government plans to go ahead with the tests in March, without waiting for the court decision.

Nation

Eighteen-year-old receives $128,000 — David Stuart, a specialist in Mayan archaeology from Silver Spring, Maryland, has been awarded a MacArthur Foundation award, making him the youngest person to win the award. The foundation will allow Stuart to pursue any work he chooses over the next five years.

Reagan backs down on censorship plan — President Ronald Reagan has rescinded two controversial provisions of a national security directive issued last March that called for greater use of polygraph tests and life-long censorship for over 128,000 government workers.

IBM to market portable computer — The International Business Machines Corp. will market a 25-pound transportable computer, according to computer dealers. The computer, which will retail for about $300, and will run all the programs designed for the IBM Personal Computer.

New York City telephones split — Beginning in 1985, New York City will have two different area codes - 212 will reach only telephones in Manhattan and the Bronx, while 718 will be required to call Brooklyn, Queens, and Staten Island. The New York State Public Service Commission voted to approve the plan Monday.

Local

College tuition up by eight percent nationwide — Tuition increases for the 1984-85 year will average eight percent, compared with 11 to 12 percent annual hikes in 1983-84, according to Gehrung associates, a public relations firm that represents colleges. In the Ivy League, all increases are below 10 percent — Brown, the highest priced of the group, expects a 7.5 percent increase in its $15,720 cost for tuition, room and board this year.

Sports

British pair put gold on ice — Jayne Torville and Christopher Dean of Great Britain set a record for the artistic interpretation of Ravel's "Bolero." Scott Hamilton of Denver, Colo., continues to lead in the men's figure skating competition.

Weather

I'd rather be crossing the Delaware — Mostly cloudy today, highs in the low 40s. Chance of rain for Saturday, fair Sunday, rain again likely for Washington's Birthday. Temperatures will decline, in the low 40s Saturday, and in the 20s and 30s Sunday and Monday.

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Opinion

Column/Joseph J. Romm
Materials Science for the surface oriented

Third in a series

On the surface, I am trying to draw my brethren from majoring in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science so that the Institute is not forced to take repressive measures so as not to grossly embarrass the imagination. In reality, however, I am trying to help some of my closest friends in public so that they, the result, will be sufficiently entertained to continue reading my columns.

Speaking of "on the surface," what a colorful lead-in to my discussion of Data and Computer Engineering. Course III people often express concern for student-oriented people, which is not so as to show that they are devoid of superficial, although many are. But, people, as they refer to themselves, deal with the surface of materials, especially the surface of plastics, metals, ceramics, and semiconductors. They optimize the expression, "money is only skin deep," which is shown as deep as Course III majors get. MatSci is the closest major filled with eclectics.

Ken is in metallurgy, or at least he's been heavy metal. He's so eclectic, however, that even though he's in Course III graduate student, he is a computer programmer. I figured that if I offended him enough, he would write back in reply, since he is a Tech columnist. I am initiated to the comment to see who can guess the identity of Mr. Ken, a former Undergrad!

(Please turn to page 6)

Disagree with editorial

Pornography demeans and degrades women

To the Editor:

I wish to take issue with your editorial entitled, "Playing semantics with pornography is foolish," (Feb. 7).

I must agree that "to attempt to define what constitutes 'pornographic' - or legal - films and what constitutes 'erotic' - or OK - films is a futility of the first magnitude." A written definition acceptable to all may be arrived at, but the classification of each such film will become a very subjective matter, repeatedly resulting in community tensions on registration day. I disagree, however, with the conclusions of the editorial, that "To forbid contact with any idea, attractive or repulsive, as is to fetter a functional minority sensor above the individual, which is inimical to everything that we stand for."

The showing of pornographic films on campus not only creates a hostile educational environment for women, but also teaches male students that women may be exploited victimized and debased if they choose to view. The issue is not that pornographic films proposed ideas unpleasant or repulsive to women, but rather that they demean and degrade women, are highly offensive, and their showing constitutes harassment of women students. In fact, pornography is an expression of misogyny.

No freedom guaranteed by our Constitution is absolutely free. As an example, libel and obscenity are not included in freedom of speech. As an institution dedicated to the equal educational opportunity of all its students, MIT cannot afford to permit the harassment of any one group of students by another such group. I cannot understand why some students would feel their rights to be violated if pornographic films (sexually explicit films) were not available at MIT. Do these same students feel that community pressure against the expression of racial hatred is also a violation of their rights?

Violet B. Haas
Visiting Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
CAPTAIN VULCAN HAS TURNED ON THE TOLL ROAD BELL.

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Aid local schools

To the Editor:

A former East Cambridge glass manufacturer, Frederick W. Ridge, gave to the citizens of Cambridge gifts of the Ridge Manual Training School, the Cambridge central library and the present City Hall. These gifts date back some 200 years.

Working people in Cambridge, since its beginning, have contributed to charitable causes and have built beautiful churches and centers of sorts through their hard earned dollars. At present the Portuguese community in East Cambridge is busily raising needed money to build the St. Anthony Church and Community Center. It is being built brick by brick with their hard earned dollars.

Further up the street from the Ridge Manual Training School, the glass manufacturer, Frederick W. Rindge, gave to the citizens of Cambridge gifts of the Rindge collar and professional workers.

Now comes the report that the Bank of Boston's decision to mark it 200th anniversary by giving the Boston public schools a $1.5 million endowment. In my opinion, the gift to the Boston schools, unprecedented since the Ridge gifts of yesterday, is a noble gesture. The endowment gift will produce about $300,000 income in its first year. The money will be used to finance innovative projects such as computer learning initiated at school level.

Where, oh where, are the modern-day Rindges? Where are all of those successful businessmen (Please turn to page 7)?

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"Mr. M" is another eclectic MacSci major. He is in the Concert Band and is living at Wellesley this term. It is not too hard to figure out what kind of surfaces Mr. M likes to study. According to Mr. M, beauty is only a surface phenomenon.

"Mr. I" is another musical MacSci major. He is also an expert pick- dactor and tennis player — at the same time. Stay away from him at all costs. Now he is going for his master's in MatSci here, after the which he hopes to get an MBA, so he can be incredibly rich.

"Mr. S" is arguably the most eclectic of the bunch, a former high school debator who used to argue that motorcycle helmets were bad and can be injection-molded into any shape. Mr. I is the source of this article's LIBEL (Least Insignificant Bit of Education Learned). Here in the LIBEL of Mr. I is the source of the article's LIBEL (Least Insignificant Bit of Education Learned). Here in the LIBEL of Mr. I in Course III: After returning from a lecture in Information Processing (3.37), he said, "Did you know that if you squished all the humans beings on the planet Earth to a size, they would form a continuous one only one micron high, less if you allowed for evaporation?"

Course III is a very understudied major. It is as diverse a subject as Civil or Mechanical Engineering. Potential majors interested in transistors could just as easily study electronic materials in Course III. The co-operative program with industry is growing rapidly, as many of the previously mentioned people can attest when they sober up a bit.

Anyone who liked Introduction to Solid-State Chemistry (3.99) would be well-advised to try at least one more subject in MacSci. It is a must for all people who are surface-oriented, shallow, or just downright plastic. There are good jobs for Course III majors working for General Electric.

Stay tuned for Courses IV and XI and the buildings that "make people crazy."

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Alfred E. Vellucci Cambridge City Councilor

Corrects a Tech story

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Edward Whang's article [Dec. 2]. The article incorrectly accredited Alpha Phi as MIT's first sorority. The Lambda Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. (an international organization) was chartered on MIT's campus in 1977.

We would appreciate it if you would print a correction to the article and in the future research your assignments more thoroughly.

Cheryl Whiteman '84 Lambda Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.
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Markham proposal fails

The General Assembly next considered a referendum proposed by Chuck Markham '83, former UA President, which offered three alternatives in the present method of selecting chairmen of the UA General Committees. The committees now elect their own chairmen.

Markham's three alternatives included having the UA President approve the chairman, subject to General Assembly approval; selecting the chairman at spring UA elections; and having the General Assembly choose the chairman.

The General Assembly unanimously rejected the motion to place Markham's referendum on the ballot.

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**Vehicle clubs seek speed**

By Matthew C. Phelps

The International Human-Powered-Vehicle Association will form an East Coast chapter to accelerate research being done on the East Coast, said David Wilson, professor of Mechanical Engineering and current president of the IHPPA. MIT, Northeastern University, Boston University, Tufts University, the University of Connecticut and other schools are doing work in the field.

MIT's Group Velocity took a five-man vehicle called "The New Wave", to the California site two years ago for speed trials. They took the same vehicle to the new site at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway last year. Mechanical problems plagued the group throughout however, and they only attained a speed of around 43 mph. Group Velocity has merged with another MIT group, the MIT Human-Powered-Vehicle Association. They are now working on a four-man vehicle for the championships being held in Indianapolis in September.

DuPont has offered $15,000 for the vehicle which is propelled by one man to 65 mph, or for the fastest speed over the next four years. They have also offered a $10,000 prize for the most practical human-powered vehicle. Group Velocity is not working on bikes for these prizes, however, said Roy D. Kornbluh, a member of the group.

A group of MIT students also developed a human-powered airplane, the Monarch, to fly for the third in a series of prizes offered by Henry Kremer for various human-powered-flight tasks.

A team headed by Paul MacCready, former president of the IHPPA, won the first two prizes. MacCready's team has also entered a plane in the competition for the third prize, but as yet, no winter has been delayed.

The IHPPA was formed by Chris Kyle and Jack Lantime in 1975. They developed a recumbent-style bike and were able to beat existing bicycle speed records. The United States Cycling Federation refused to recognize this new form, however, and Kyle submitted to the Guinness Book of World Records was rejected for this reason.

They then founded the IHPPA to organize speed trials and races on land, in the air, and at sea. They sent their request for the Guinness Book of World Records to MacCready's team for various human-powered-flight tasks.

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Until last year the races were held in California, but the Indianapolis site is now being considered for East-Coast competitors. The IHPPA has also sponsored events in Australia, Great Britain, Germany, and the Netherlands.

When asked about the future practicality of human-powered vehicles, Wilson said that although bicycles are the fastest means of transportation for distances of under five miles in the city, modern vehicles are "safer and more comfortable."

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The MIT women’s basketball team is enjoying its most successful season in its ten year history despite a 62-41 loss to Worcester Polytechnic Institute last night and a 62-51 loss to Wellesley College last week. The team now holds an 11-7 record. They defeated Wheaton 76-64 Thursday, with Julie Koster ’85 having the game high 26 points and 8 rebounds. Her performance against Wheaton College and a 20 point and 11 rebound effort against Wellesley made Koster the first MIT player to be named to the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Division III weekly all star team.

The men’s basketball team’s record now stands at 2-15, after a loss to Trinity University on Tuesday night. Mike McElroy ’87 led the team with 24 points and 9 rebounds in the team’s sixth straight defeat.

Squash wins two, drops one
Tom Chen ’84, Dave Douglas ’85 and Ron Reuss ’86 won all three of their matches last weekend as the men’s squash team beat Fordham University and Wesleyan University but lost to Bowdoin College. The team beat Bowdoin earlier in the season. They now have a 10-9 record for the year. The team, going for its first winning season in ten years, plays Dartmouth College at home Saturday.

Big meet in store for wrestling
The wrestling team finished second of eight teams in the Northern New Englands last weekend. The meet served as a tune-up for the New England Division III championships at Worcester Polytechnic Institute this Saturday.

Men’s hockey beats Suffolk
The men’s hockey club skated to its eighth victory in 15 games by defeating Division III Suffolk University, 3-2. It was MIT’s second victory over Suffolk by the same score this year.

Wins for fencers
With a 21-6 drubbing of the University of Maine, a 19-8 victory over the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and a 17-10 win over Brandeis University, the men’s fencing team improved its record to 8-4.

Swimming: men win, women lose
The men’s swimming team climbed to 4-3 for the season, beating Amherst College 58-55 on Saturday.

Students act against tuition
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areas with the employee benefits fee. "This year the employee benefits fee was raised from 30% to 35.99%, and MIT said that student activities had to pay it. All three increases are for supporting more graduate students," Cowan said.

The demonstration march will probably start at New House and go to the president’s office or home, according to Cowan. The group plans to receive local and national press coverage, he said.

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Pistol shooting by David W. Martin '84, Will Johnson '85, Homero Rey '86 and Jerry Martin '84 in the free pistol event gave the team an early 10-7 lead.

In standard pistol, once considered the team's weakest event, the team drew a 2168, breaking the range record for the event, which was previously held by the US Military Academy.

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