Undergraduate Association President Peter A. Shulman '01, Dean for Student Life Larry G. Benedict, and Class of 2003 President Sina Kevin Nazemi answer questions during the Class of 2003-sponsored town hall meeting on Wednesday in Room 10-250.

By Vicky Hsu

Several administrators and student leaders addressed student questions and concerns about student life at MIT during a town hall meeting on Wednesday night sponsored by the 2003 Class Council.

Dean for Student Life Larry G. Benedict, Dean for Undergraduate Education Robert P. Redwine, Undergraduate Association President Peter A. Shulman '01, and class of 2003 President Sina Kevin Nazemi were invited to vote for their favorite hack of all time. They obviously can't tell the story of MIT without mentioning hacks," Pickering said.

She added that certain smaller hacks, such as the balloon that inflated during a Harvard-Yale football game, and AI Gore buzzword bingo cards, will continue to be displayed in the MIT Museum as part of the Designing Minds exhibit.

"It wasn’t an easy decision but we made it because for a long time now our visitors, about 80 percent of whom are from outside MIT, were saying they wanted to know about the story of MIT education from 1861 to the present day," said MIT Museum Director Jane Pickering. "Having made that decision, we have a very small amount of space, and something else had to go."

The Hall of Hacks has been up in the museum in one form or another for about ten years, "It was pretty much our longest-running show," Pickering said.

She said that the new exhibit, Designing Minds, also focuses on MIT culture. Due to open June 7, it will explore creative education at MIT.

Including hacks will actually be included in the new exhibit, because obviously you can’t tell the story of MIT without mentioning hacks," Pickering said.

The Museum also features the Campus Activities Complex to see whether any of the hacks can be displayed in the Student Center or elsewhere at MIT.

Museum holds Ultimate Hack Week

The Museum threw the Hall of Hacks a send-off party in the form of Ultimate Hack Week, from Feb. 27 to Mar. 4. All week, visitors were invited to vote for their favorite hacks of all time. They

The Weather

Today: Wet snow and rain, 35°F (2°C)

Tonight: Colder, snow, 30°F (-1°C)

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A snowman appeared on the Small Dome in the early hours of Thursday morning, holding a sign that said simply, "3. It is not known how the snowman arrived at its perch stop Building 7."
House Votes to Repeal New Ergonomics Rules

WASHINGTON

Republican-sponsored legislation to wipe out the first federal job safety standard targeting repetitive injuries survived final congressional approval Wednesday from the House after a short and fiercely partisan debate.

Rounding the measure through their chamber one day after it passed the Senate with equal speed, House Republican leaders whipped the project into an issue on an issue crucial to the party’s allies in the business community.

The House vote to kill the job-safety rules, issued in the final week of a session that demonstrated even stronger GOP discipline, Not one of the 50 Republican lawmakers strayed from their party leadership to support the rules.

The House action followed a 54-44 Senate vote for repeal Tuesday that demonstrated even stronger GOP discipline. Not one of the 50 Republican senators backed the rules.

The repeal legislation now heads to the White House. George W. Bush, strongly supported by many business groups and opposed by organized labor during his campaign, this week signaled he will sign it.

The principles of ergonomics, which call for working conditions to be adjusted to fit the physical limits of workers, are applied in programs to reduce injuries such as carpal tunnel syndrome, tendinitis and other disorders caused by repetitive, stressful or awkward motions. Federal data show that such ailments, known as musculoskeletal disorders, force at least 600,000 workers off the job each year.

FEA Looks at Ashcroft’s Failed Senate Re-election Bid

WASHINGTON

The Federal Election Commission opened a review Thursday into allegations that Attorney General John Ashcroft failed Senate re-election bid to received 3-2-206. Only 13 of 220

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it to also contract in the first quarter of 2002.

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within a ‘my way or the highway’ approach to legislating in Congress,”

Gephardt said.

Bush had failed to make good on his promise to change the tone in Washington. “My assessment after just a few weeks of this Congress is

that bipartisanship is over,” he said.

Japanese Economy Stagnates

Bailout Plans Leave Economy Struggling Under Debt Burden

By Otmar Schindler

JAPAN’S deteriorating economy, after faltering for a decade, has strained the government’s resources to the breaking point, Finance

Minister Kikuichi Miyazawa warned Thursday, saying that “Japan’s public finances are very near collapsing.”

Although Chile’s center-left government insists that the justice system has acted independently in the Pincock prosecution, Thurs-

day’s 342-1 vote to come up with weather forecasts. Each one has different

Packaging the measures to prop up the economy.

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NATO Allows Yugoslav Army To Enter Kosovar Buffer Zone

By David Holley

LOS ANGELES TIMES

NATO agreed Thursday to allow Yugoslav troops to enter a buffer zone between Serbian and Albanian lands to help secure Macedonia that ethnic Albanian guerrillas have been using as a haven.

The move was a sharp policy shift for the allies, who have so far stood on the sidelines of the conflict, preferring to target the Serb military rather than the guerrillas. It is intended to make up for the mistakes of others, a NATO official said.

The decision was reached at a meeting of the alliance's top commanders Thursday in a northern Italian city. The meeting, in a location that offers a wide view of the Yugo
crash

NATO ordered two weeks ago.

KFOR, the U.N. force that has been trying to hold the line between the two sides, decided to allow the Serb army to move into the zone.

NATO officials said they hoped the move would open the way for the creation of a buffer zone that would allow the Serb army to secure the area.

They also said they hoped it would mark the beginning of a process of reconciliation between the Serbs and Albanians.

The decision was made after a meeting of NATO leaders that was called by the United States and Britain.

The allies said they hoped the move would be the first step toward a peaceful solution to the conflict in Kosovo.

They added that they were confident that the Serb army would not use the buffer zone as a springboard for an attack on the Albanian population.

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Letters To The Editor

Misguided Priorities

On Tuesday, March 6, MIT administrators rounded us all of where their priority lies. Both Boston and Cambridge public schools were closed due to city-wide snow emergencies. Roads were slippery, sidewalks were flooded, and MIT was, of course, open. By early morning, a number of MIT offices and food facilities were forced to close, while the rest were left understaffed. Most classes, however, trudged on. It’s nice to know that a day in mind-numbing classes takes precedence over the health and welfare of thousands of students, faculty, and staff.

Gregory D Dennis ’02

Tech UAP/VP

Endorsement Is Sexist

I was disturbed by your editorial board’s decision to endorse Sanjay K. Rao ’02 as Undergraduate Association President and Jaime E. Devereaux ’02 as Vice President, not because I have a particular allegiance to any candidate, but because of the patriarchal nature of such a suggestion. Looking at this recommendation from a feminist perspective, it is quite blatantly sexist. Here you have two qualified candidates who each bring their own set of advantages (or disadvantages) to the table, but you go along and hand the top prize to the male candidate, claiming that he is a “strong spokesman”, while the female is left serving “behind-the-scenes” (or is it “in-the-kitchen?”). It is unfortunate that, in 2001, we continue to place men in the top leadership positions, when qualified and talented women are just as able to serve effectively. A Devereaux/Rao ticket is as easily justified as Rao/Devereaux. Do not let out-of-date views about men and women influence your choice today.

Ninama E. Ejebe ’04

The Real Tragedy

Of the Drug War

In “Vietnam in the Making” [Mar. 2], Michael J. Borucke describes how colossal a failure the U.S. Drug War is. To delight to do n’t put his usual radical left-wing spin on the situation. Pointing out the continuing political turmoil in nations which produce or traffic drugs, citing grim statistics about drug use in the United States, and delineating the massive financial burden it puts on U.S. taxpayers is hardly original. It would be original, however, to expose the real tragedy of the Drug War: the United States is brutally fighting its own citizens. Should not individuals have a right to do with their bodies as they wish? The government does not seem to think so, and is burning through billions of tax dollars to fund massive law enforcement and penal bureaucracies, while simultaneously hammering away at pre-existing Fourth Amendment rights. Let us not also forget that drug policy makers are probably discriminating, harming minorities (particularly African-Americans) disproportionately in all phases, from search and seizure violations (i.e. race-based profiling) to draconian prison sentences (i.e. crack versus cocaine).

Despite this basic flaw in his piece, Borucke does make a fine suggestion in closing. We can influence policy with our voices and votes, and should. The immoral Drug War is one of the many reasons why I support the Libertarian Party.

Sourav K. Mandal ’00

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Winter Weather Wonder
Storm Reminders: Us of Comforts, Escapes in Life

Roy Eski

Way, a time could have been a hot button, but we instead chose to recognize the beauty and serenity around us.

The endless procession of snowflakes falling from the sky, making everything a soft, white blanket.

In the midst of the winter wonderland, we find comfort and joy. The snow brings a sense of tranquility and peace. It allows us to slow down and appreciate the small things in life.

As the snow continues to fall, we find ourselves drawn to the beauty of it all. The way it blanket everything in a soft, white layer is truly令人astonishing. It brings a sense of calmness and peace to our minds and spirits.

The snow also brings a sense of unity. Everyone is sharing in the same experience, and it brings us closer together. We can all appreciate the beauty of the winter landscape and the way it transforms everything around us.

As the days turn colder, we find ourselves looking for ways to stay warm and comfortable. We bundle up in layers of clothing and enjoy hot cocoa in front of a cozy fire. We also find ways to stay active, like taking a walk in the snow or building a snowman.

The winter weather wonder is a reminder that even in the coldest of times, there is beauty and joy to be found. It encourages us to slow down and appreciate the simple things in life. It reminds us that even in the midst of the cold, there is still warmth and comfort to be found.
Ken Nesmith

On Monday, Charles Williams brought a gun to Ganti High School in suburban San Diego. The 17-year-old 'C Crisis' was being described as a gang-raped police called "well-planned." The nation can now observe a few seconds of violence and activity. It's okay, that's enough; this is America after all, a fast-paced nation if ever there was one. You can't keep your gun, get set, go! Guncontrolviolencecontrolparentsrumor

For you to get tired of the fighting efforts to pin blame on some singular cause and look into the ground.

Occasionally, some marginalized poster in a surface in a letter to an editor or a line in a Newswear article, perhaps about what was really an anonymous letter that led to the attack from an otherwise "well-mannered" kid who was often picked on, but this wasn't change the face of the debating significantly.

President Bush has taken a strong stand on the killing of the Greens. According to describing this fatal expression of an angry teen's violent frustrations as a "disregarded" act of violence, Bush is refusing to claim the "for some gun control," and has specifically cited a desire to close a loophole that allows guns to be purchased more easily at gun shows than at gun shops. When asked what could be done to prevent such a thing from happening at all, he keenly noted that we should teach children right from wrong.

Had Bush been aware that what he was doing was wrong, that all wrong things should be done, then we could have done this at all. That logical chain clearly fell at some point. Still, in the coming days, several other politicians are also expected to come out with their own ideas, and to killings and to the killings of American children in general.

It won't take long to tire of the efforts to pin to the wrong singular cause.

The twin spectres of communism and socialism are still at work today. The Greens' 100 percent tax bracket makes what we should teach children right from wrong.

To pin blame for the Greens' 100 percent tax bracket (excluding the two liberal senators), they can still vote against his package, and Vice President Cheney was hard not to notice the inability of the vice president to pin blame for the Greens' 100 percent tax bracket. That's why the Greens' 100 percent tax bracket makes what we should teach children right from wrong.

In the end, the only economic system that makes sense is the Greens' 100 percent tax bracket. It's the money that will inspire their legislation, but the voters of the Greens' 100 percent tax bracket are already this platform is not Green; it is red.

The Greens deride their socialism as an "economic democracy." However, democracy and individual rights are fundamentally incompatible with socialism and communism. The hallmark of individual rights is the right to life — broadly speaking, the right of every individual to live his or her life in the fashion he or she chooses, so long as others are not harmed. Economic freedom is an essential part of this. For the Greens, the right to an individual to choose what he or she consumes, to choose what he or she produces, to choose what he or she spends.

Yet socialism denies economic freedom. It holds that you are not free to dispose of what you earn through your job. Instead you must hand it over to the government, which will decide how to spend it for you. This is not free enterprise. This is not free choice. Keynes made waves in the Republican presidential race of 2000 by declaring that "the market system is a totalitarian slave tax: inherently incompatible with freedom." Keynes was correct, and yet he also had the income tax but a declaration that the instead law works well.Earl not to you, but to the government? A 30 percent income tax makes you 30 percent a slave, and a 40 percent tax bracket makes men absolute slaves.

In the end, the only economic system compatible with personal evidence of capitalism is truly by its very nature an "economic democracy" than any socialist planner can ever provide. So next time you hear the Democrats in Congress telling us that they can't afford to give us a tax cut, ask yourself whether you want to travel down the path of socialism and despair, or the path of capitalism, freedom, and prosperity.

Gun-control advocates will speculate that this could have been avoided if stricter laws were in place to control the hands of fifteen-year-olds. Perhaps a small, grassroots lobbying effort will find its way to Congress in the form of even more strict gun legislation. The Greens feel that they are, will stick to their guns, and that the volcanos of pub-

CONSUMER

What do the Greens propose to do about these things? Reading their agenda for Ameri-

care, we see that the Greens demand a "Gai-

ified HealthCare. They want free education and child care for everyone, and demand that housing costs not exceed 25 percent of anyone's income. The fundamental question we must ask is, "at whose expense?"

Fortunately, the Greens have an answer: taxes. Their plan is built on a single tax sys-

1.0 tax cut over 10 years, only 6 per-

cent of projected government tax revenues on the Greens - the remaining 94 percent of the Kennedy tax cuts and one-third of the Reagan tax cuts. While President Bush proposed a massive government takeover of the economy.

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Why Dubya Is Smiling

Guest Column

Alex M. Hochberger

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Crime Prevention Tip

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**ON THE SCREEN**

**BY THE TECH ARTS STAFF**

The following movies are playing this weekend at local theaters. The Tech suggests seeing "<http://www.boston.com>" for a complete listing of times and locations.

*** Excellent
** Good
* Fair
Poor

**Cast Away (***~)**

All the physical courage and technical accomplishments of Cast Away are not enough to balance its unwieldy structure and make it anything but a extended catalogue of human misery. Just like the central Tom Hanks performance, it is courageous and elaborate — and surprisingly joyful and little fun to watch. — Vladimír Zelevinsky

Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon (****~)

Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon is a "wuxia" martial arts fantasy crossed with modern romantic drama. It is a showcase for accomplished direction, stunning cinematography and special effects, and remarkable martial arts choreography. The most impressive aspect is the performance by a relative newcomer, Zhang Ziyi, who explodes on the screen like a force of nature. — VZ

Down to Earth (HII~)

Chris Rock plays Lance Barton, an aspiring stand-up comedian who meets an untimely death. He strikes a deal with a botched diamond heist plot that is character and well-developed tension throughout the film will leave you wanting more. — Jacob Smitlah

The Mexican (**~)

The quest for a sought-after object is usually filled with excitement and heartbreaks along the way. The Mexican is filled with Julia Roberts, a gay kidnapper, and Mexican thieves. Overall it is a great comedy that is tight on an action-packed plot and character development. Though full of laughs, the film leaves you wanting more. — Jacob Smitlah

O Brother, Where Art Thou? (****~)

O Brother, Where Art Thou? is adapted from Homer's Odyssey — with a Coen brothers twist. George Clooney, John Turturro, and Tim Blake Nelson give excellent performances as three escaped convicts in the South. — Anna S Choi

Shadow of the Vampire (**~)

Madonna's new hubby Guy Ritchie, bolstered by the run-away success of his first feature film, Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels, can hardly be blamed for sticking to a successful formula — take roughly six Tarantino-esque criminals, throw in a touch of very British humor, and mix. This fantastically entertaining movie, which deftly mixes a botched diamond heist with the chaos of underground boxing, is a must-see, especially for anyone unfamiliar with Ritchie's first film. — JH

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State and Main (****~)

State and Main, writer/director David Mamet. With a flawed script, flat characters, and an unrealistic premise, Sugar and Spice founders while trying to be clever. — Amy Meadows

Traffic (****~)

Stephen Soderbergh's captivating docudrama of a film makes a movie that transcends the "drug movie" genre. Elocutently written and perfectly acted, this movie is groundbreaking and definitively Oscar material. — Devdoot Majumdar

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When does the program start? The full 2001-2002 program begins in September: 2001

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- 2 letters of recommendation - one from an MIT faculty member familiar with the applicant's artistic work
- Interview with selection committee
- Samples of previous work when applicable

Application forms are available at 3-234 and E15-205

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm

For more information call 253-4005 or email cohen@media.mit.edu

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Compiled by Fred Choi

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I have decided to use a magic 8 ball to dictate my life course...

This way I can't be blamed for bad decisions that may occur.

Oh really? What is it saying?

It kept telling me to major in physics until I realized I was holding it upside down...

In lab...

Well, nothing left but to try it.

SOLAR'S DIMENSIONAL TRAVEL DEVICE DOES NOT WORK...

ZZZAP!

this is so funny! so the answer is 41 but we keep getting 4.1!!

hmm... i can't figure it out either... hmmm interesting...

i never imagined it would come to this... but heck I think... I think it's time to apply the 83 theorem...

so here, u'd set Bc = \( \frac{3}{2} \) and then multiply 47 by 83 and omg! the answer is 34!! there u go, 3 more hours of deep yay!!

get... i hope when i'm a junior, i'll know as much as Jake knows...

yeah... the dude's got wisdom behind his ears
Thank You for your Interest

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FoxTrot by Bill Amend

I'LL TAKE THIS ONE. NO, THIS IS Come ON, THERE'S A MISTAKE.

DON'T TOUCH MY SHOE. I'M THE ONE

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WALLY: UGLY. YOU HAVE TO SEE THIS VENDOR.

DIABLO: IF I'M THE LIAR. I THINK HE'S TELLING THE TRUTH.

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YOU'LL FALL OFF.

THE VENUES

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OKAY? I'LL TAKE THE COMPANY THAT ONE.

I DON'T KNOW. I TRIED IT ON THE COMPUTER.

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TechCalendar
Killian Court saw an unusual amount of snow last Tuesday night. Though not as fierce as predicted, Tuesday's storm did bring about a foot of snow to the Boston area.

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The following incidents were reported to the MIT Campus Police between February 12 and February 18, 2001. This summary contains most incidents reported to Campus Police but does not include incidents such as: medical shuttles, ambulance transfers, false alarms, general service calls, etc.

February 12: Bldg. 13, report of male sleeping in restroom, same man on his way; Bldg. 33, computer monitors stolen, $7,200; Bldg. E17, wallet stolen containing $35 cash and credit cards; Bldg. 68, laptop stolen, $3,280; Baker, suspicious activity; Student Center, 1) check and inquiry of a suspicious individual who was issued a trespass warning; 2) homeless person who was assisted to shelter.

February 13: Bldg. 10, report of wallet removed from backpack while on elevator, no cash only credit cards; Student Center check and inquiry of individual; Bldg. 16, suspicious person in lounge area; Bldg. 1, report of homeless person causing a disturbance.

February 14: Bldg. W13, homeless person; Bldg. 9, check and inquiry of three individuals; Bldg. E23, annoying e-mails; Bldg. 15, filing cabinet reported missing; Bldg. E15, Cambridge Police report a 911 hang-up call, check of area all okay.

February 15: Student Center 1) assist other police agency in serving a warrant; 2) two suspicious males checking out bikes left area; Burton, annoying mail; Bldg. NW61 check and inquiry on two individuals carrying office equipment; Baker, check on two individuals carrying office equipment.

February 16: Bldg. E23, past assault and battery; Bldg. 7, cellular telephone stolen, $200.

February 17: Bldg. 7, two homeless individuals, same assisted to shelter; Bldg. 2, well being check on employee, Walker, stereo equipment stolen, unknown value.

February 18: Bldg. E15, wallet stolen, $20 cash and credit cards; Bldg. E23, report of a post domestic assault; Bldg. E60, laptop, zip drive and CD player stolen, $2,850; Hayden Library, malicious damage to copy machine; Burton, noise complaint, Westgate lot, suspicious activity; Bldg. E51, suspicious activity; DuPont, suspicious individuals.

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Council Releases Work Survey Results

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participate to the undergraduate dormitory. "The (graduate) dorm is being built out of debt" with a maximum price of $90 million and will house 750 students, Kachani said at the meeting. In contrast, the undergradu-
ate dormitory is being built for $9 million and will only house about 350 students.

"Why not put [the center] in Simmons Hall? It's just like day care there anyways," Sokka said.

On Thursday, however, Bacow said, "There will be no daycare cen-
ter." He said that the space would be used for common space, as was originally planned.

"I want to see it in writing," Kachani said. Kachani said the decision yesterday may have come about as a result of a meeting that morning between Bacow and other senior administrators.

GSC discusses work survey

At its meeting the GSC also released results from the graduate student working survey, for which it received 341 responses, or 9.3 per-
cent of the graduate population.

One major finding of the survey, said organizer Ronak J. Bhatt, is that, contrary to popular belief, international students do not work a lot harder than other graduate stu-
dents, although they tend to work more into the night than others.

Other results include the average number of hours worked by teaching assistants and research assistants across different departments. Bhatt said that the full results of the survey will soon be available at <http://web.mit.edu/gsc/www>.

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Coordinators Cause Controversy

Town Hall, from Page 1

students, the Director of Housing Operations, Karen A. Nelson, said that "the planned space in Burton-Conner had been underutilized for the past 20 years." Benefit also emphasized that the coordinators are not there to spy on students or discipline them. Instead, the administrators will share the housemasters' workloads, help with the 2002 housing transition, and train individual house governments.

He made it clear that fifteen new staff members will be added to the administrative system, a point which is not negotiable. "What is negotiable," he said, "is how this program will be implemented.

Upset that parts of the proposal appear to have already been finalized, students from Senior House accused the administration of being dictatorial and criticized administrative attempts to justify the situation after the fact.

Several graduate students in attendance stated their beliefs that student life has been degraded over the years as the administration has grown in size.

Feelings on meeting were mixed

Several student leaders and administrators indicated that the meeting was worthwhile and should be repeated.

"What happened here was exactly what needed to happen," said Dormom President Jeff C. Roberts '02. "There are too many intermediaries like papers and student leaders. Students and faculty need to meet face to face."

Sudh C. Dalal, President of the Class of 2002, said that "the meeting was a great idea, and needs to happen a lot more often." Dalal said that "people need to grow from those [meetings], it should not turn into a blame game."

Redwine said that the meeting was very successful. "There was a frank exchange of views and information. Student expectations and remedies were certainly reasonable," he said.

While some students commended the 2003 Council for a job well done, many students did not feel that the meeting was very useful.

"The town hall meeting was the most ridiculous waste of time," said Christopher W. Porter '01. "Benefit sidestepped every important question."

Julie J. Hong '03, who helped to organize the town hall meeting, was pleased with the turnout but said that "it's unfortunate... that the meeting did not touch upon points like confidential Emergency Medical Transport, 2002 transitions, and dining, especially with Aramark's contract coming up."

Hong would have liked to hear the position of the UA and Dormon on the issue of residential coordinators. "The administration often looks to the UA first. I am interested in what they [UA officers] had to say and how long they had known about it," Hong said.

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Suggestions brought up at the meeting for improving communication between students and the administration included the electronic posting of the minutes of student-faculty meetings and the creation of a mailing list.

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