Faculty approves compromise ROTC measure

By Duff McRoberts
A compromise proposal of the Committee on Educational Policy for the study of ROTC on campus gained overwhelming Faculty approval Wednesday. The action authorized the formation of a special ad hoc committee.

The committee, whom President Johnson said he expected to name by the end of this term, will report by December on a wide range of possible alterations to the military programs, giving special consideration to five suggestions listed in the CEP motion.

Introduction. Intended for the CEP by Professor Frederick McCurdy (I), the proposal combined features of several other motions that had been presented last week. Consultation among Faculty members who had formulated the earlier proposals resulted in general support for the compromise motion.

Mollon excerpt:

Some excerpts from the motion:

3. To move that the President appoint a committee to study the following five points including the CEP objectives and other possible alterations in the program in 1970:

1. The status of the ROTC units on MIT should be clarified.

2. The CEP recommends that the ROTC programs be administered by special officers and representatives of the Military Services.

3. The procedure for awarding faculty status to members of the Military Services should be reviewed. The CEP recommends that recommendations for faculty appointment come only from a regular academic department.

4. The award of academic credit for ROTC, MS, NS, and AS subjects should be reviewed. The CEP recommends that academic credit should be given only for subjects offered by regular academic departments.

5. The contractual arrangements should be reviewed.

Segal moved delay
Professor Irving Segal (XVIII), whose motions to eliminate ROTC were defeated last week, commented, "I think the present motion is a useful step in the right direction."

In other action, the Faculty approved a new program for granting graduate degrees in Ocean Engineering jointly with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute. Professor Alfred Keil, head of the Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, introduced the motion, which was met with some question concerning the use of the research, classification, and source of funds.

Back motion, however, received apparently unanimous approval by voice vote.

Final schedule
A proposal of the Committee on Academic Performance for 3-day reading periods and 8-day examination periods for the next year was approved, pending a more comprehensive report from the Calendar Committee.

CEP recommends review of contracts, course credit

African art opens in Hayden Gallery

By Karen Wattel
Around 9:00 Sunday evening, I was about to glance at my little black book and was suddenly reminded that I had been invited to the opening of another art exhibit in the Hayden Gallery. Immediately, visions of the black and white poster swung to mind.

Hayden Gallery looked good with the new lighting and the Tahitian collection; the exhibit was just the right size for the room—neither overwhelming nor overloading, but large and diverse enough to hold one's attention. The Christ figure with an African face, the ivory figure turned smooth on one side from being rubbed against a diaphanous face, and the rare African female mask are among the more interesting items on display. It is interesting, too, to look at these pieces in the light of their influences on our art today. For this reason alone it is an exhibit worth attending.