Activities budget remains frozen

By Frank Hrach

The student activities budget of the Undergraduate Association (UA) has not changed in the last ten years. According to John Wel ler '82, vice-chairman of the UA's Finance Board (FinBoard), this budget, funded directly by MIT, amounted to $79,000 in 1969-70 and amounts to only $7,700 this year.

Weller said, "MIT is essentially cutting our budget every year by the inflation rate."

The General Assembly (GA) expressed its disapproval of this situation by tabling the vote on the 1981-82 student activities budget at the GA meeting two weeks ago.

FinBoard divides the funds allocated by MIT for student activities among undergraduate activities which are not self-supporting.

The number of student activities that can support themselves is decreasing, according to Raj Tahil '81, vice-chairman of last year's FinBoard.

He cited the Ballroom Dance Club as an example of an activity which was self-supporting at one time, but now asks the UA for money. Tahil added, "We have to turn more and more activities to the Graduate Student Council (GSC) for support.

Tahil noted that the UA has received no support at all from the FinBoard for their activities budget for the 1982-83 year.

Last October, FinBoard was promised input into next year's student activities budget by Dean for Student Affairs Shirley McCloskey, which it never received.

According to Tahil, McCloskey said, "She [McCloskey] said to get a budget proposal in by the end of February, and in January we found out that the student activities budget had already been set completely without our input."

McCluskey blamed the confusion for the lack of FinBoard input into the budget making process over the Dean's office timetable. She added, "We put together a timetable so we won't have this confusion in the future."

The Cambridge City Council this winter passed an ordinance defining biotechnology "for the lack of FinBoard input into our decision making process," she said.

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By Kenneth Suss

At a closed meeting on Wednesday afternoon, the Committee on Privacy decided that release of statistics concerning dormitory dwellers on academic warning is against Institute policy and respects student privacy.

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436 MacGregor residents. The figures were compiled by the Dean's Office for distribution to house presidents. These statistics are used by house presidents and tutors as an aid in monitoring academic performance.

The figures for dormitories on academic warning have not yet available. According to John Weller, assistant to the Chairman of the Committee on Academic Performance, "fraternities can consider this information as an infringement on their right to privacy." Although the information is compiled, it cannot be released without the permission of the Committee on Privacy.

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By Laura Farhie

Saturday afternoon, Liao and Burton House President Joyce Alley examined the Olympiad rules, which said that only one team per living group can score, and "found no reason to exclude the two floors of Burton House from the All-Tech Sing," declared a former member of the Burton House Executive Committee, Glen Katz '81. The controversy arose because had the fourth floor (please turn to page 2)