Dean hires staff associate
Sara Berman to aid women, activities for one year

By Will Delberty

Nine months after the resigna-
tion of Sandy Winklowski, Coor-
dinator of Women's Inter-
ventions, the Office of the Dean for
Student Affairs (ODSA) has hired a staff associate to work for
one year in both student activ-
ities and women's interests

Margaret Coleman '90, presi-
dent of the Association of MIT
Alumnae (AMITA), said that the
Dean's Office needs "at least an
assistant dean for women stu-
dents." The hiring of Staff Asso-
ciate Sara Mae Berman is "a step in the right direction, but
what is needed is someone with
...not just an administra-
tive assistant," Coleman said.

The Institute cut ODSA oper-
ing expenses by five percent
this year, McCall said, and bud-
ging constraints will not allow an
administrative position oriented
specifically toward women stu-
dents.

McCall said it is "very ex-
citing" to receive her first
telephone call, but stressed her job will end after a year.

ODSA, IFC look at rush week

By John Talio

The Interfraternity Council
(IFC) and the Office of the
Dean for Student Affairs are dis-
scussing on-long-standing sug-
gestions to make fraternity rush less hectic for incoming
MIT freshmen.

Essays written for the rush
writing evaluation in early Sep-
tember have been submitted by
MIT freshmen.

One of the three topics on which freshmen could write
was a description of their
rush experiences. A large number of freshmen commented on the
excessively fast pace of rush
week.

The present R/O schedule be-
gins with the freshman picnic,
usually held at 4:30 pm on the
last Friday in August. Fraternity rush
begins after the picnic. Frater-
nities can offer freshmen bids to live in their houses beginning the
following Sunday morning, and freshmen can accept those bids the
next day.

One possible change would
require freshmen to arrive on
Thursday, rather than Friday
afternoon, for Residence Ori-
entation (RO) Week, according
to Assistant Dean for Student
Affairs Robert Joseph '83.

This change would give freshmen more time for orientation and for
the selection process before they
begin.

Other proposed changes in
rush, mentioned include lengthening the picnic of noon, not allowing freshmen or
sophomores to bid on freshmen after an interview because she
said, "she felt the woman did not have the experience in coun-
seling and coordinating student activities. This decision was not
made until after McCall posted a new notice for the position and the
panel provide a new recommen-
dation." After Associate Dean Robert M. Randolph and Administrative
Assistant Katherine R. Cochrane
screamed the second set of appli-
cants, the interviewing panel
without some of the original
members, submitted a second
recommendation — Berman —
to Dean Joseph last month.

"I think she delayed in hiring this
cperson," Coleman said.

Although about one quarter of
the students at MIT are women,
only 10 percent of the faculty is
female, according to Coleman.

"Women are lacking a visible
student position within the insti-
tute," she said.

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Debt stalls shuttle bus

By Tony Zampariti

The MIT Shuttle Bus did not resume operations yesterday after the conclusion of the bus until its operators pay their debt to the group.

The MIT Shuttle Bus Project owes Caroll $4100, according to MIT's Accountant, to the Student Center Committee for the operation of the bus. The group has not paid its debt to MIT, according to Lopez, and thus needs to borrow about $3000 before it can resume opera-
tion.

The shuttle bus costs $400 a week to operate; however, the bus has been left unattended for two weeks, from yesterday until Fri-
day, December 10.

"We're working on a (Finance Board) loan," Lopez said, "or we're looking into the (Undergraduate Association) Student's Dues.

"The Finance Board right now does not have a large sum of money," said Charles P. Brown '84, chairman of the Undergraduate
Association (UA) Finance Board.

"We can't make a loan that won't be paid back," he said. Brown said he doubted the Shuttle Bus Project could pay back such a loan.

The Finance Board could lend much from its invested reserves. Brown noted, but such a loan would have to be approved by the Activites Development Board (ASOB). The board approved a $2000 loan in Septem-
ber, but ADB has yet to vote on it. This loan is now dead,"

Brown said, since it would fall
due at the end of the term.

"If we don't restart," Lopez said, "we'll owe probably twice as much," because the project would have to refund money col-
el.. The MIT Shutt-
le Bus Project sold $5000 in tick-
et sales to the Student Center Com-
mittee for the operation of the bus.

Brown said the tickets did not
state the project's refund policy,
"as required by Massachusetts laws," and thus the project may not
be required to refund them.

"The exact workings of that are
to the MIT Shuttle Bus Project,"
Brown added.

Many of the project's members are apprehensive about its viability. Lopez noted, and "it's difficult to make commitments of time and manpower.

"The MIT Center 111111, the
endowment jumps $80M

By John J. Ying

MIT's endowment fund has in-
creased in value by $80 million
since the middle of the summer
because of increases in stock
prices, but Director of Financial
Operations John A. Carr '57 fur-
thers doesn't foresee "any major
change in our income.

As of October 31, the total val-
ue of the endowment fund held in
general investment was $520 million, according to Trea-
surer Martin L. Streele '36.

While noting the Dow Jones Industrial Average has not changed since November,
Streele pointed out that the

endowment increase represents an appreciation of over 20 per-
cent, or $80 million, in the end-
owment, excluding real estate,
since June 30, the end of MIT's
fiscal year.

"We won't see a change in the income until companies like [General Motors] start to make money, not until their dis-

Brown said, "the net worth of the endowment is tied to the Dow Jones, but its increase does not necessarily provide more cash for research.

"The change in market value is viewed as a restatement of the endowment's holdings, not a ne-

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