Witt proposes UA constitution amendments

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that one representative from the Non-Resident Student Association was not enough considering the number of students living off campus.

Raymond E. Samuel '84, a General Assembly representative, said the number of representatives was not important in reforming the body, saying the problem is that "the GA debates trivialities," and the members should consider "getting people here who are going to be effective before adjourning the meeting.

Witt noted that his proposals did not constitute a quorum of the UA General Committees. He said he intended to discuss future plans with the members of those committees.

Pornography referendum set

Most of the meeting was spent deciding whether three proposed referendums should appear on the spring UA election ballot.

James A. MacStravic '84, a member of the General Assembly Planning Committee, introduced and explained a referendum on defining pornography, alleging the showing of pornographic movies on campus.

Witt urged the General Assembly to approve placing the referendum on the ballot, saying: "We may not find out anything from this, but I mean, it can't hurt." The motion was by voice vote.

Activities fee proposed

Witt then presented a referendum on eliminating funding of student activities by the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs and replacing that funding with a student activities fee, to be set by the UA Finance Board and approved by the General Assembly.

Advocates of the activities fee said it would give the students more control over the distribution of activities funds.

MacStravic said he believed students would suffer from the funding change. The proposal has a provision that the change will not cost students extra money, but "I don't believe it," he said.

Kip D. Kentz '83, chairman of the General Assembly Rules Committee, said that students were not informed enough about the issues involved to make a decision on an activities fee. David M. Libby '85, chairman of the UA Nominations Committee, made a similar statement.

The motion failed in a straw vote and Witt withdrew it.

Markham proposal fails

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