ISA displeased with FinBoard policy

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Despite the折叠, the ISA may maintain closer relations with MIT's Internation-

al student affairs. However, said Rossana Chiang '87, ISA President. The

ISA planned to involve the members through fundraising events, she

said. Chiang accused FinBoard of bias

The funding cuts were prob-
ably due to "the incompetence
of a few people within the Finance Board," she said.

But she also noted the possibil-
ity of prejudice on Finance Board. "It is kind of strange that our

budget got lost three times in a row," Chiang added.

Chiang suggested that the Office of Dean for Student Affairs should exert more control over the Finance Board. "The fact that [Finance Board] is student-run makes it inefficient. It should receive more help from the administration. An organiza-

upon how much time its members

have to spare," he said.

This incident was the first in which the Finance Board and the ISA have clashed. Last year, the ISA appealed a funding decision over the International Fair to Dean for Student Affairs Shirley M. McLay. Chiang said

McKay sided with the Finance Board, and provided some ad-
ditional support, she added.

Several other international stu-
dents groups had had their fund-

acing cut, Chiang said. The Association for Puerto Rican Students, the Chinese Students Club, and the Sangam Club for Indian Af-
fairs were among the groups af-
ed, she said.

Marcos Bertman '87, head of the Association for Puerto Rican Students, agreed that the organi-

zation's budget had been cut, but he was unaware of how much.

APR had no response explained, and had not communicated with the ISA, he

heard. The Chinese Students Club has had problems dealing with Fin-

ance Board, according to Jeffrey T. Kung '88. However, he detected no bias against interna-
tional or ethnic organizations.

"If they are to become Institute require-
ments, the context sub-
jects "need to be done very well,"

Kerrebrock added. He said it was

not yet possible to predict how many context sub-
jects would be added as soon-as possi-

ble. Elias P. Gyftopoulos PhD, chair of the Institute Require-

ments, Arts and Social Sciences in equal numbers,

hopes to add the contexts of science and technol-

ogy was first recommended by

the Institute Committee. The Com-

mittee urged a requirement of at least two pro-

fessors per subject, possibly as

early as next fall, to prepare at least one context subject. The working

committee reviewed 200-300 suggesti-

ons from the group on an Inde-
pendent Activities, Period course on ethical issues in technical re-

search, Kerrebrock noted. The group intends to include more students, he

added.

Engineers need to know more than technical aspects

Students must be educated in how to deal with the non-tech-

nical constraints that affect technolog-
ical problems, the charge reads. "Case studies and war stor-

ies" are not enough. Both stu-

dents and faculty need "to "agre-
gue [these constraints] into the

engineering process," it con-

cludes.

A new Institute requirement in the contexts of science and tech-

nology was first recommended by

the Committee on the Human-

ities, Arts and Social Sciences in

its final report last August. The

committee urged a requirement to inform students about aspects of external political, moral or so-

cial forces on the professional ac-

tivities of scientists and engin-

eers."

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