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According to Kirby, the UA Council will decide at its next meeting whether to press charges against any or all of the students under investigation. Any hearings resulting from such charges would be held under the auspices of the Dean’s Office, rather than the Committee on Discipline, because “the COD is handling academic issues these days,” Kirby said.

Neither Kirby nor Chiaroly would speculate on what sanctions the UAC would seek to impose. “At the highest level, they can recommend suspension or expulsion,” Kirby said. He added, however, that he doubts the council will take this route. “At the worst, they could put someone on probation, something on your transcript, make you work, make you write an apology, [or] make you serve on a UA committee.”

The council, according to Kirby, might also ask the students for reimbursement of the $400 spent on preparation for a special election in Lobby 7 on March 13. “If they just take whatever names they’ve heard around and decide to fine everyone across the board, I’m not sure that’s particularly fair,” Lippert said.

Then again, I can understand them having to recoup whatever losses they’ve had,” he added.

Funding Plan Defeated
UA Council defeated the activities fee, but now has a different view. “I do see the value in holding a referendum to set the fee,” Lippert said. “Perhaps there is a way to arrange things so that the fee can be set both by the electorate and a more informed body that can study the issue in depth,” Kirby said.

Kessler disagreed, saying that “the UAC would be much better able to determine the tax for the student body,” he said, adding that he would not allow the council to drastically raise or lower the fee without student approval.

Some council members expressed concern that student turnout for the referendum would be low. “I have not been given a proposal which is satisfactory enough to bring to the students,” Kessler said. “People aren’t going to vote for this if they don’t have the incentive. Holding an election would be a waste of time and energy.”

Some council members felt the proposal’s presentation was rushed and did not give them enough time to carefully consider it. “We shouldn’t rush into this,” Kessler said.

Lippert, Ohm, and Yesley said that they had not been contacted by Campus Police or the Dean’s Office since giving their statements.

Split in the revolution
After giving the whereabouts of the ballots, the anonymous caller identified herself as a member of the Student’s Revolutionary Government, which took responsibility for the theft. There has been a split among the membership, she added.

Yesley was shocked to hear that the ballots had been returned. “I don’t know what happened to the ballots,” he said. “I really don’t.” On the other hand, I was under the impression that they were destroyed.

“Where can there be ballots?” Yesley asked. “Unless people are telling lies to me, I don’t know what’s going on. I guess I’ve been lied to. I’m starting to get angry.”

The caller said the split had occurred because Yesley “doesn’t know how to run a revolutionary movement.” She added that several of the group’s members thought of him as a male chauvinist.

But Yesley surprised to hear that there had been a split in the movement. “The SRC is a government, and it’s a government of students... I don’t see how there could possibly be any hard feelings. They’re my friends.”

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