Tuition to Exceed $20,000 Next Year

5.8% Increase 2nd Lowest in 24 Years

By Hung Lu

The Institute announced as increase in tuition from $19,000 to $20,100 for the 1994-95 academic year. This 5.8 percent increase is the second lowest in the past 24 years. The nominal self-help level will also rise 7.7 percent, increasing $550 to $7,650 next year. With an additional 3 percent increase in average housing and dining costs, the total cost of attending MIT tops out at $26,075, a 5.1 percent increase over this year’s figure. These increases were approved by MIT trustees last Thursday.

President Charles M. Vest receives a tie-dye T-shirt from Chen Tan '97 at the formal opening of Edgerton Center Friday.

Vest Names CMRAE Review Panel

By Jeremy Hytten

Professor of Economics Peter A. Diamond PhD '63 will head the five-member ad hoc faculty committee appointed by President Charles M. Vest to determine if the decision to close the Center for Materials Research in Archaeology and Ethnology was properly made.

Perera Mark S. Wrighton decided to close the center in June, prompting the center’s director, Professor Heather N. Lechtman, to write a 28-page pamphlet criticizing the de- cision-making process.

In his charge to the committee, Vest said that he appointed the committee because "discussions on this particular case has began to strain collegiality" and because similar decisions to close laboratories and centers will be made in the future.

The committee will talk about the progress of its review at the March faculty meeting, according the Vest's charge.

The members of the committee are: Diamond, Institute Professor and Professor of Physics Jerome I. Friedman, Assistant Professor of Physics Jacqueline N. Hewitt Phd '86, Professor of History Jacqueline R. Maier, and Professor Earl M. Murman, head of the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics. Vest consulted with Faculty Chair Robert L. Jaffe, professor of physics, before appointing the committee.

Wrighton’s committee biased, Lechtman says

When Wrighton reviewed the CMRAE’s budget early last year, he appointed a commit- tee to review the excellence of the center’s research. That committee’s findings led to realizing excellence," he said.

But there was no support for a graduate pro-

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