

Room Rates Will Increase In All College Residences

By RICHARD SLOVAK

Room fees for next year will rise \$30 per student in John Jay and Carman Halls and \$45 in Hartley, Livingston and Furnald Halls, Director of University Residence Harris Schwartz disclosed Friday.

The director added that the apartment-style residence at 400 West 118th Street and graduate student residence halls will cost an additional \$35 next year.

Mr. Schwartz explained that the rate increase is necessary "to offset the anticipated increased costs of operation in 1973-74," and attributed the additional expenditures to rising wages and increases in electric, telephone, fuel and repair and maintenance costs.

He added that there will be no further reduction in services next year.

The 5.1 per cent rate increase was approved by the Committee on Undergraduate Residence Thursday night, Mr. Schwartz said. He called this "the lowest increase in at least four years," and said it will boost the cost of an average room from \$685 to \$721.

The rate hikes still must be approved by the Board of Trustees, and require provisional approval from Low Library so that the room selection process can take place after spring vacation, according to Mr. Schwartz. He said he expects approval from the administration "unless they don't think the increase is enough."

The Committee on Undergraduate Residence considered a \$35 across-the-board increase, but decided on the multiple rate hike so that Carman and John Jay rates would be fairer, according to Mr. Schwartz.

He explained that rooms in John Jay are considered less desirable than those in Furnald, Hartley, and Livingston, and that Carman residents already pay a disproportionately large amount for their rooms.

Commenting on specific increased costs, Mr. Schwartz said that electricity costs are expected to go up 17½ per cent, from \$63,000 to an estimated \$74,000, due to increased student use as well as Con Edison rate increases.

Electricity costs have risen over 54 per cent in five years, from \$48,000 in 1968-69, the first year students were allowed to use refrigerators in their rooms, Mr. Schwartz added.

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Accord Reached With HEW; Federal Funds to Be Restored

Women Challenge P&S Hiring

The Women's Affirmative Action Coalition (WAAC) filed a complaint with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare Friday charging that the appointment of an administrator at the College of Physicians and Surgeons violated the university's Affirmative Action Plan.

In the written complaint protesting the procedures followed in the appointment of David Rosenberg as special assistant to the vice president for personnel management and personnel manager for the health sciences division, the women also charged that preliminary investigations of ten other administrative appointments indicate that the anti-bias guidelines were violated in each case.

The disclosure of the new charges against the university came on the same day that HEW and Columbia resolved their dispute over two alleged violations.

In their complaint, which was mailed to Cathleen Fraser at the New York regional office of the Federal Contract Compliance

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Agency to Conduct Periodic Reviews; Columbia to Amend Anti-Bias Plan

By GAIL ROBINSON

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the university have resolved the dispute involving two alleged violations of the university's Affirmative Action Plan.

As a result of the accord, a \$1.9 million contract which HEW had ordered the Office of Naval Research to withhold from Columbia more than two weeks ago will now be released.

President McGill said Friday that, following a series of negotiations, the university has agreed to amend the monitoring procedures outlined in the anti-bias guidelines and to submit to periodic reviews by the New York regional office of the Office of Civil Rights.

The government had withheld the \$1,907,397 contract for oceanographic research at the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory while it reviewed the procedures followed in the hiring of Glen Waggoner as assistant vice

president for administration and Donald Miller as vice president for personnel management.

The President explained that the amendments were designed "to provide explicit and implicit monitoring procedures."

It will "not be extremely difficult for us to conform to these," he added.

The university agreed "to change our Affirmative Action Plan to assure that the problems that arose over the Miller and Waggoner appointments won't happen again," Dr. McGill remarked Friday.

A statement released by the university Friday afternoon asserted, "In view of the University's commitment to make certain amendments in its Affirmative Action Plan and the scheduling of periodic reviews, HEW has confirmed that any pending questions concerning the university's status as a responsible contractor have been resolved."

The brief statement also asserted, "HEW has already advised the Office of Naval

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Budget Allocations To Six Divisions Remain Constant

By ERIC RIEDER

Deans of six university divisions stated yesterday that their budget allocations from the central administration for the 1973-74 year will be the same as this year's allotment.

The failure to increase the budgets is in line with President McGill's five-year austerity plan to hold the costs of instruction and educational administration at a constant level.

The deans also said they expected no major cutbacks in staff or services as a result of the static level of funding, despite increasing faculty salaries and operating expenses.

Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences George K. Fraenkel explained that the school will continue to increase cross-listing with other divisions and leave faculty positions vacant in an effort to maintain a constant level of spending.

The dean noted, however, that the budget will permit "modest faculty increases," next year, and that no significant cutbacks in the school's offerings will be necessary.

Dean Harvey Picker of the School of International Affairs predicted that his school will be able to offer students "a program that's just as good as it's been."

Terming his attitude "cautiously hopeful," the dean also expressed fear that "problems might arise" in the areas of library acquisitions, research, and student aid.

Dean Pouncey said the College's budget will also remain about the

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Charges Against Latins Dismissed

By DAVID SMITH

A School of General Studies disciplinary panel voted Thursday to drop charges against three Latin students accused of violating the university's disciplinary rules during last spring's occupation of Lewisohn Hall.

The Joint Committee on Disciplinary Affairs (JCDA) will review the five-man panel's four to one decision later this week.

The panel based its decision on the university's failure "to grant the defendants a speedy trial," according to a letter sent to the three students by the panel.

The letter stated further that "the university had sufficient time throughout the fall semester to expedite a speedy trial but failed to do so."

The three Latins were the only students still facing disciplinary charges from allegedly participating in last spring's demonstrations.

The panel's decision was partly influenced by the fact that "when the tribunal finally met, the counsel for the prosecution asked for even a further delay," according to the letter.

Deputy to the President for Governmental Affairs Douglass Hunt, who acted as the prosecutor, had asked for the delay when the tribunal met on February 23. Mr. Hunt claimed that a prime prosecution witness had not appeared.

The panel granted the delay on the condition that Mr. Hunt would present to the defense, by February 27, previously-concealed documents concerning the witness.

According to Daniel Perez GS, one of the three defendants, the university failed to present the

documents last Tuesday and instead asked the JCDA for a further postponement. The JCDA denied the request on Wednesday.

Gerald Esposito, chairman of the panel, stated Friday that "the university had just taken too long to put together its case. It is undue harassment to drag out something like this for so many months."

Congresswoman Bella Abzug sent a telegram to President McGill on February 22, urging the university to drop its charges against the Latins.

"These three young men maintain they were participants in the occupation of Lewisohn Hall in April 1972," the telegram read. "I

therefore do not understand why they are being singled out for judgment. I am also disturbed that although the incident occurred last April the tribunal is convening only now. This is a denial of due process."

One of the defendants, Frank Algarin '75 GS, declared in an interview yesterday that "the university never had a case."

Algarin asserted that pressure from students, the community, and Ms. Abzug "hurt the university's position."

He added, "They really expected that we would sign the agreement which said that if they dropped the

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NDC: A 'Quintessential' Convention

It was the quintessential convention scene: delegates cajoling each other, red-faced floor managers screaming orders to their workers, a hoarse chairman trying to be heard over the noise of the crowd, nervous politicians stalking the aisles for votes.

And in the middle of the tumult, a handful of members of the Columbia University Democratic Caucus (CUDC) debated furiously with each other on how to cast their one vote on the crucial fifth ballot of the mayoralty nominations at the New Democratic Coalition's convention in the Stuyvesant High School Auditorium on Saturday.

"Do we stick with Badillo?" yelled Jean Lichty '75B, the Columbia delegate.

"Why desert him now, we're still ahead," replied Jerry Block '74, the group's alternate.

"Yes, stick with him, we're going to pick up the Kretchmer votes," chimed in a Badillo supporter.

Ms. Lichty took a quick vote of the membership, found continued support for the Bronx congressman, and then rushed down the aisle to hand in her ballot, which she favored Badillo sorely needed to counter the surprising tide of support developing for Manhattan Assemblyman Albert Blumenthal.

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Photo by Jeanine Barone

Democrats participate in Saturday's convention.

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Despite the efforts of the CUDC, however, Blumenthal took the lead on the fifth ballot for the first time that afternoon, and, in a stunning upset, won the NDC endorsement on the seventh ballot.

Blumenthal's victory at the NDC convention, a crucial step in the campaign of any reform democrat, was especially surprising to many observers, who had predicted that the convention would not support any candidate if Badillo faltered.

Many of the convention's nearly 300 delegates, including the Columbia representative, found themselves voting against their preferred candidate on the final ballot, in order to hold together the often divided ranks of the NDC.

The convention also saw the delegates trying to bounce back from the dismal defeat they suffered with George McGovern last November, as speaker after

speaker proclaimed the need to "appeal to all the people of this city, be they Irish or Italian or black."

The new attitude toward ethnics was reflected in the convention's response to Bronx Congressman Mario Biaggi, often referred to as a "law and order" mayoralty candidate. Initially greeted with boos, the Bronx Congressman eventually won the respect of the audience with a hard-hitting speech.

Biaggi seemed to be aiming at all the guilty sore spots of the reformers, whom, he said, have ignored the crime issue and the need to reach out into ethnic areas until this year.

"I've never been afraid in my life," he told the audience. "I take stands before they are safe. I didn't follow, I led at my own political peril. And I respect each and every group in this town."

Law and order was very much on the mind of Congressman Edward Koch, another candidate for the endorsement, as he rushed over to NBC newscaster Carl Stokes.

"Carl, the fact that liberals fail to speak about crime means that we'll lose the issue," Congressman Koch stated.

"Carl," declared Koch, "when I go to Harlem the shopkeepers tell me they've been robbed three, four times. The poor people are losing their businesses. Is that a phony issue? And the middle class is leaving the city."

"The middle class was moving anyway," Mr. Stokes answered.

"Not to the same degree," Koch said.

"Listen," the newscaster replied, "when are you going to start flushing out the other issues?"

Ms. Lichty supported Badillo on all of the day's votes, except on an early credentials challenge against the Bronx representative's strongest South Bronx club. Her vote for a majority report from the credentials committee to seat only

two of the club's five delegates touched off an angry exchange between the Barnard sophomore and Block.

"Voting fairly is one thing," said Block, "Getting Badillo elected is another."

"I'm sorry, I had to vote my own conscience. The violation just seemed too blatant," she replied.

As Assemblyman Blumenthal's victory became inevitable, the bitterness and frustration of the losers began to show.

A moist-eyed Badillo paced disconsolately with an aide; Kretchmer kicked a cigarette butt across the back of the room; Koch jumped up and down yelling "No endorsement. No endorsement."

A top Kretchmer aide leaned dejectedly against the wall, and muttered, "We never should have come into this fucking convention. These people couldn't get themselves elected in a fucking telephone booth. They're going for the least fucking electable guy around."

The ecstatic Blumenthal supporters, meanwhile, climbed on their chairs, chanted "We want Al" and waved signs reading "Blumenthal for City Hall."

The caucus reacted less emotionally to the convention than some of their more experienced counterparts, but felt that although their candidate was defeated, "at least we endorsed a candidate."

The students were also pleased with their own part in the day's proceedings. Ms. Lichty commented "I think we operated by consensus, and we managed to forget some of our inner differences today."

And what did the veteran reformers think of the Columbians' initial foray into the reform wars? "I think they're a good active group, and I'd welcome their support," said Blumenthal.

"They acted more fairly than any group in the place," said Lucien Russell, former president of the Riverside Democratic Club.

Disciplinary Panel Dismisses Charges Against 3 Latins

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charges we would promise not to engage in any further political action on campus. But we felt that because of the status of the Latin Institute, we were justified in taking further political action. So we couldn't sign."

In December the university had offered to suspend the tribunal of the three Latin students if they agreed not to block the entrance to any Columbia building.

A total of 48 students in five divisions of the university, including thirty in the College, were charged with violating the university's Interim Rules during the last two weeks of May, 1972.

Last month, the university offered to pardon the only three students convicted by a disciplinary tribunal of violating the Interim Rules if the students promised not to participate in such actions in the future.

The university had made the same offer to all other students facing tribunals. Most of those except the Latins have accepted the offer.

In addition, charges against seventeen of the original 48 have either been dismissed by the JCDA or withdrawn by the university. Three College students have requested dean's discipline, a confidential decision made by the dean of their division.

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