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BROWN ACT, POLICY VIOLATIONS, ETC?

Board draws fire from Faculty senators

By Jimmy Baró
TM Managing Editor

The tension between the Board of Trustees and the faculty is apparently heating up.

The Trustees have been taken to task for possible Brown Act violations, for engaging in "micromanagement," and several other actions which have faculty riled up.

The new Faculty Senate wasted no time at its first Fall meet in airing its concerns.

Although faculty reps took no official action, several members raised questions.

Obviously representing a general concern, Senator Connie Mantz, former Senate President told the group, "I am very concerned because I believe there may have been a violation of the Brown Act," referring to when the Board appointed counselor Ginny Romero Affirmative Action Officer with six units release time.

Mantz said they bypassed affirmative action and the Cerritos College hiring policy.

The position was not advertised and nobody had a chance to apply, it was stated.

Normal shared governance procedures (AB 1725) were not followed.

The same problem occurred earlier with the hiring of the interim Multicultural Dean, critics charge.

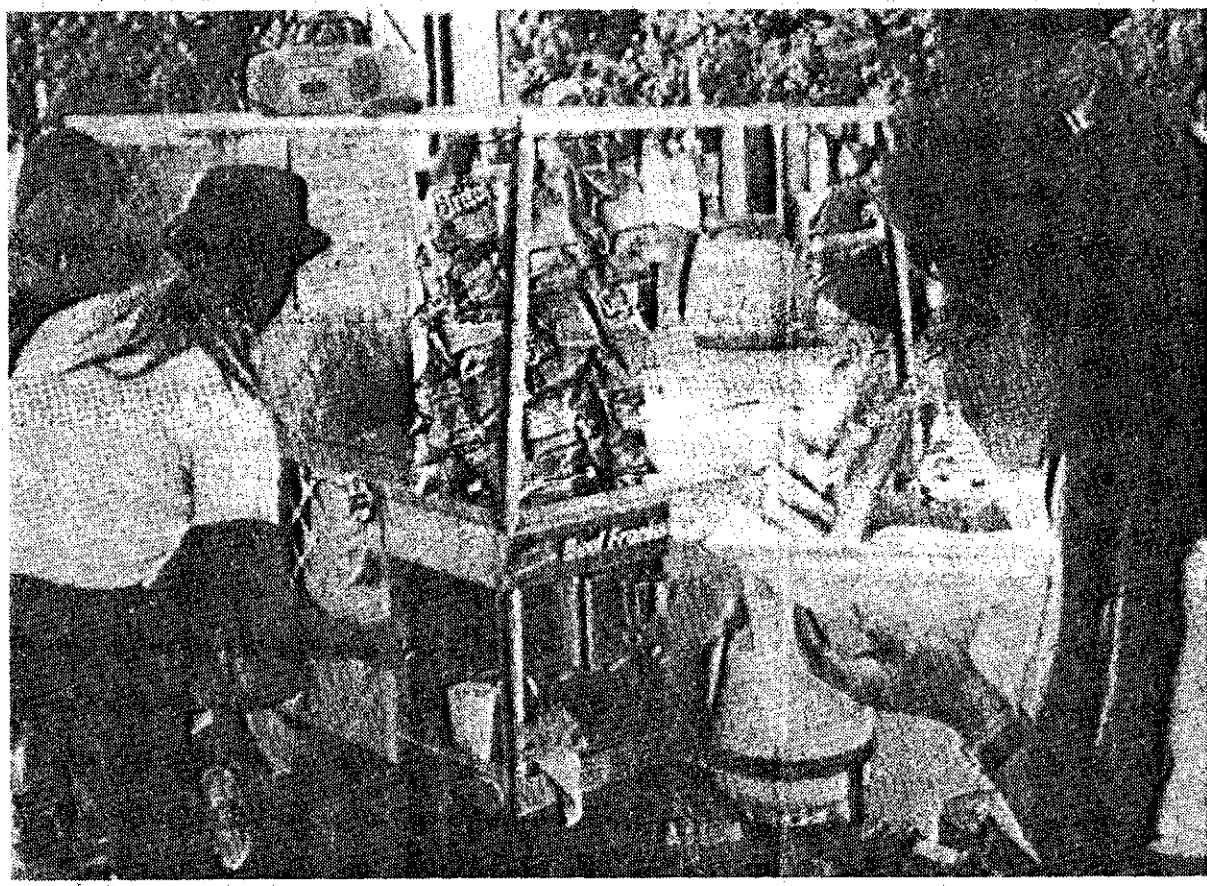
A new job description flyer was singled out as appearing to be designed to assure the job for one particular person, according to one Faculty Senator.

Two previous accreditation reports were said to have criticized the Board for too much day-to-day involvement in the administration of the college.

Several Senators charged the Board with "micromanagement."

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Real 'Hot' hot dogs



— Photo by FAUSTO RAMOS

MORE VARIETY COMING

Colorful hot dog stand run by former Cerritos student Mark Wright is serving up very popular fare these days. The Coffee Shop, two Campus Cuisine shops, and the Cafeteria provide a variety of food stuffs. To diversify the food choice even more, some well-known fast food stands are being considered for other spots. Frantone's is waiting on the results of a bidding round to see if they return...

Candidates sought for 33 ASCC seats

By Don Jergler
TM Editor in Chief

A few good...

Student Senate, traditionally considered a powerful educational and political tool for students, has openings for concerned and qualified students who wish to help form the backbone of Student Government.

Candidates are being sought to fill the 33 vacant seats in Senate, which will convene on Sept. 16. A third of these seats are being reserved for freshmen.

The duties of Senators include, commanding a half million dollar ASCC budget, making rules and precedents for student government, representing the student body, and investigating and reporting on pertinent issues which may affect students.

Qualifications to run for Student Senate are, having a 2.0 or better cumulative GPA, and carrying a load of ten units or more.

Last Semester's Senate began and ended in controversy.

By the first Senate meeting, certain members were being accused by other Student Government members of carrying a secret agenda into the legislative body.

One unsuccessful Presidential candidate vowed, after he lost, to run two maximum slates of ten from each of the campus organizations he was affiliated with.

Applications may be picked up at the Student Activities office, and are due on Sept. 4 at 4 p.m. sharp.

'Waiting list' would help petitioners get 'closed' classes

By Paula Feres
TM Campus Editor

A form of "waiting list" that will enable those students whose classes are full, to be put on a waiting list, is being considered by the Admissions Office. Those students would then wait until the first day of class, where the instructor will have a list of everyone on the list for that course.

If there are any "no-shows" or openings, the students will be enrolled in the order they registered. Students can also petition these classes. This is still under discussion, but officials are positive.

With so many students, classes fill up quickly. Students who participated in "Touchtone" were among those who got the "prime courses," says our new Director of Admissions and Records, Viet D. Be.

Mr. Be also stressed the importance of taking advantage of such a service. "Even new students who participate in Orientation are eligible to register by phone," pointed out Mr. Be.

Classes are limited and any help can make the difference between getting a class and not. "Even with the additional students," Director Viet Be states, "The College must function at a level that the quality of education can be maintained." Plan ahead and pre-register.

Enrollment at Cerritos College reached 22,184 as of Saturday, Aug. 22, which was the last day to add or drop classes. The tally is 1,500 over last year's admissions total. Only 5574 are full time students with 12 units or more. These eighteen week classes began on Aug. 17, and will finish Thursday, Dec. 17. The last day to officially withdraw from these courses is Nov. 20.

There are also late-registration 15 week intrasession classes that begin Thursday, Sep. 8.

Continuing students can register on Sep. 3, from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. All other students can register on Sept. 4, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sep. 8-10, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Sep. 11, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The last day to officially withdraw is Nov. 25.

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Hughes Blues is back

The new original works of "Hughes Blues" by Cerritos grad Salvador A. Velazquez, the recipient of the 1992 Lee Korf Playwriting Award, and is returning to Cerritos College Sept. 4, after a successful summer run, directed by Georgia Well, it features a full cast of 23 African-American players.

Inspired and adapted from the works of Langston Hughes, this slice of life drama is a celebration of "love, hope, heartaches and dreams deferred."

The play is set for Sept. 4, 5, and 10-12 at 8 p.m. with a special matinee Sunday, Sept. 13 at 2:30 p.m. in the Burnight Studio Theatre.

Students with CCID cards may attend free on Sept. 10 and 13.

Tickets are on sale now in the Theatre Department.

—PHIL MILLER

HEALTH, WELLNESS OPEN

The Cerritos College student Health and wellness Center is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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For more information call 860-2451, Ext. 217.

—CHRISTY BOTERO

Sign-ups hit 22,184

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Still there are more classes. Mid-term second nine-week courses begin on Oct. 19. Continuing students can register on Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. All students can sign up Oct 15, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Oct. 16, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Oct. 19-22, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Oct 23, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The last chance to drop is Nov. 8. To officially withdraw is Dec. 8.

Consult the class schedules for additional information, sold in the Bookstore for under a dollar.

EDITORIAL

Music, Food — and Pages

A great way to take the gear-grinding mind temporarily off school schedules, the ever-controversial presidential politics, and sweltering heat, while listening to a pretty hot band was filling up on a hot sandwich at the same time.

How about that overwhelmingly successful turnout in the Quad area on Aug. 20's Welcome Day? Were YOU there? Did you "find the beer?"

Thousands of In-N-Out hamburgers, potato chips, and soft drinks were served to sweating students standing in typically blazing noonday sun.

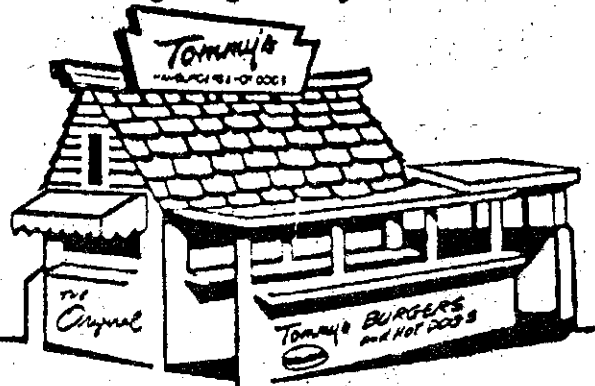
After being served, students were observed heading for the shelter of any available tall pine tree, any patch of green grass, any available warm wooden bench... where the great Rock'n'Roll sounds of "9-7-6" could be heard.

Meanwhile, back to the books...

Good Luck!

—Written for the Editorial Board by JOANNE JOHNSON

Why does this little burger stand attract over a million people a year?

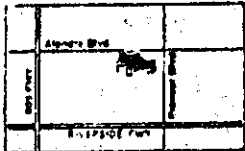


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FALL SPORTS LINE UP FOR OPENERS

By Jimmy Baro
TM Managing Editor

Six Fall sports open up the Cerritos College sport season.

Three very good teams hope to be at the top again, while the other three try to get there.

The defending Northern Mission Conference football champions kick-off the regular season Sept. 12 at Golden West.

Gone is running back record breaker Darrell Thompson, quarterback Dean Grosfeld, and defensive assassins Casey Mazzotta, Earl Brooks and Adam Diaz.

Also gone is the disappointing 42-18 defeat to

Saddleback in the first ever Simple Green Bowl after seven straight wins.

The volleyball team was only one game away from being crowned state champions.

The two time defending South Coast champions begin smashing and spiking on Friday, Sept. 12 at home.

Leading the Lady Spikers will be seasoned sophomore Traci Dahl.

Dahl as a freshman led the Lady Falcons' to a first ever state championship in the school's history.

She also captured team and South Coast Most Valuable Player honors and was selected to the All-State first team.

Not to be lost in the shuffle, were the Cerritos wrestlers.

The grapplers won the South Coast Conference, placed second in the Southern California regionals and sixth in state.

Cross Country, Soccer and Water Polo did not do so hot, but hope to turn around the programs this season.

The men and women's cross country have nowhere to run, but up.

After finishing in last, Women's Coach Jeff Clingan thinks the team should do better.

The men are not as bad as their record indicates. Of 52 schools in the state, Cerritos placed twelfth.

Soccer finished at 9-9 dead in the cellar.

Water Polo also had a .500 campaign, finishing at 12-12 earning them a fourth place finish.

Cross-country set to move out strong

By Ben Villa
TM Sports Editor

Both Men's and Women's Cross Country teams are looking to improve on seasons which showed promise, but would rather be forgotten.

The Women's team led by Coach Jeff Clingan are looking to improve on a 1-3 record and a fourth place finish in the South Coast Conference.

Returning runners this season are Carmen Ramirez Caraylin Uribe, Mini Almada and Gloria Vazquez.

A couple of new faces are Maribel Prieto, Tranisha Hogan, Michelle Johnson and Lorreta Smith.

Coach Gary Gaudet said, "the team will be lucky to improve" on a last place finish and a 0-4 record.

But don't let their record fool you. The team was tenth best in Southern California and out of 52 schools in the state, they placed twelfth.

The South Coast Conference is the toughest in the state. "You might go 0-4 and finish last for 5 years but still be a very talented team that places high in California." This year's team is a larger one and is "pretty young."

Key runners are David Hahn, Omar Narango, Wayne Beverly, Jim Begovich and Sal Ramos.

Both Men and Women Saturday, September, 12 in the Fresno Invitational at Woodward Park, at 8 p.m.

...Brown Act, Etc.

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Several Senators charged the Board with "micromanagement."

Several also expressed concern that the Board apparently considered a 3-2 vote valid when the educational code, they said, "requires four votes to make any action legal."

The controversial narrow vote reinstated a former student who had been expelled.

Board Members also voted themselves a "Board Office," much to the dismay of Faculty and others. The Board can conduct business with a quorum of only four members, but all four votes will have to agree on any official action.

The legality of the action was questioned on the grounds that it was not an agenda action item with proper public notice.

Senators were also upset after they reportedly were told to take it or leave it on Sabbatical leave issues.

Objections were also raised by the Board's action of drastically reducing hourly rates for retirees who come back to teach part-time.

The Board meets again Tuesday Sept. 1.

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