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Push 'em back! Push 'em back! Way back!

The facts are that a division 3 football team will **NOT** provide school spirit!

Just look at Caltech. Their football team (which beat the last football team UCSD had...in fact our football team broke Caltech's long losing streak.) provides **NO** school spirit. The only spirit Caltech gains from football is from their pranks at the Rose Bowl!

If you want school spirit from a football team you'll need to get a very good team, such as SDSU, USC, UCLA. This would mean that UCSD will no longer be able to retain a 'non-jock' attitude nor a division III standing!

The other sports and individuals would **NOT** benefit athletically from football!

As many of you know the athletic facilities at UCSD are very limited for a university of this size. With a massive increase in demand, which any decent football team would incur, many sports and individuals would suffer due to the competition for the use of these limited facilities.

The creation of a football team would strain the already overburdened athletic facilities, such as the weightroom. This demand on the facilities would in fact force individuals and other "less important"

sports to vacate such facilities so that the football team could work out. Thus individual students and other sports teams would have even a lesser opportunity to attain athletic excellence.

Also the referendum dictates that one sport will gain 66% of all of the funds. While **ALL** of the other sports would have to split the remaining 33%! So just how much will Archery or Golf benefit? Certainly not very much.

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A.S. Elections! But Is It SAFE to Vote?

Over \$500,000 a year in Campus Activity Fees are budgeted by the A.S. Council, and the A.S. appoints people to the boards and committees which handle other student fees, e.g., the Registration Fee Committee and the University Center Board, and makes appointments to Academic Senate, administration, and U.C. Student Association (statewide) committees. This year's A.S. elections are a bit less boring than last year's, which were essentially an inter-fraternity/sorority popularity contest. But nothing this year is nearly as inspiring as the 1986 Third World/Progressive white slate, which contested most seats on the A.S. Council and threatened to bring an end to the dynasty of "Greek" reactionaries.

This dynasty has controlled the Council since 1983, has voted to pay A.S. officers—in defiance of a student referendum which opposed paid officers, has presided over a massive hike in student enrollment fees and the size of the A.S. bureaucracy, has institutionalized administration support for the racist and sexist Greek societies—groups which the administration previously had banned from campus, and illegally adopted a new A.S. Constitution which mandates that the annual elections be held so early in the Spring quarter (and with such a short filing and campaign period) that non-Greek candidates (with less permanent organizational support) stand little chance of winning. Meanwhile, funding per capita for campus media has actually declined as enrollments increased, and the A.S. Council has gone on record opposing co-op housing.

Funding, in general, for anything progressive has been in sad shape. Polls indicate that most UCSD students are far more politically progressive than the Council dynasty. Although only a minority of the student body belong to the Greek groups, the Greeks are organized and often resort to corrupt tactics to get what they want. The progressive organizations on campus have not yet realized that a broad coalition, which has enough staying power to field candidates for several successive years, and enough participation to gain control of the college councils as well as the A.S. Council, will be what ultimately brings down the Greek regime.

Candidates Worthy of Support

Students wishing to avoid voting for Greek candidates can support independents and some of the smaller slates. Both independents running for President, Chiao and Dimmesdale, have expressed opposition to the frats and support for some sensible programs, e.g. replacing the UCSD Bookstore with a co-op bookstore, and support for students'

rights. One small slate Students Active For Enrichment (S.A.F.E.) advocates increasing the availability of multi-cultural educational experiences. This is much needed at this overwhelmingly white campus. Finally, several seats are uncontested. Uncontested seats might draw very few votes, and write-in candidates might stand a chance of an upset.



Referenda Questions

One ballot measure proposes shifting \$15 per student per quarter from A.S. accounts to the College Councils, increasing the current level from \$5.50 to \$6.5. The College Councils are more directly accessible and accountable to the students and this change deserves support.

Both co-op measures ought to be endorsed by anybody who believes in democracy. One calls for democratic management of the Student Center by the groups housed in the Center. Students have paid for the buildings with the Student Center Fee. This fee, \$12.50, was recently combined with the \$25 University Center Fee—without a student vote—and listed as one fee (under the jurisdiction of the University Center Board—the Student Center Board having been disbanded—again, without a student vote). Students don't even have title to the property! The very least that should be done is to return control of the Center to a student-controlled, democratic board.

The second co-op measure calls for students to support the rights of the co-ops to run their own activities without administration interference. All organizations have this right, and the fact that the co-ops see a need for student support on this issue is a sad comment on the state of the campus. The co-ops, unlike many other campus groups, generate income. It is the money that the administration wants to control, and if the administration is not stopped, the co-ops may not survive. Without the Ché Café, the

Computer Coop, the Farm Coop, the Food Coop, the General Store, Groundwork Books, and the Recycling Coop, we would all end up paying more for these services and products, through the purely commercial replacements the administration deems profitable. And the cultural atmosphere on this campus would become sterile.

The football referendum is an insult to the student body. The Registration Fee and the Education Fee are supposed to cover things like athletics. We already have an additional Recreation Fee of \$12 per quarter. The cost of getting an education at UCSD has soared from its beginnings. The concept of free public education, education as a right, has nearly been forgotten. If the state legislature and The Regents want football mania, let them pay for it. But let's hope they won't, and hope the referendum fails. UCSD people have long taken pride in a quality academic environment, one that is free from the cheating, corruption, and hype of big time football.

Campaign Violations Charged

Charges have been filed against the proponents of the Football referendum. The charges include gross and flagrant violations of A.S. Elections Bylaws. Sections 6.4.2.3, 6.4.3.1, 6.1.1., and possibly section 6.4.2.1 were violated according to the charges. The basis of the charges include the following: Campaigning prior to the legal campaign period, distributing campaign material before submitting those materials to the A.S. Secretary, and failure to submit financial records to the A.S. Secretary. As a result the proponents of the football referendum MAY have exceeded the financial limit imposed by the A.S. for referendum questions.

Certain individuals involved in the promotion of the football referendum have participated in previous elections. (That individual is also a current member of the A.S. Council and had a major role in drafting the referendum question.) Thus they should be fully aware of A.S. Election Bylaws. With such unscrupulous proponents of the football referendum responsible for the referendum question itself, one can only wonder if they are deliberately concealing the truth or/and if the whole football concept and the funding necessary is not inherently flawed!

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April Fools?

On April 1, 1988, two administrative appeals were submitted to UC President David Gardner, seeking to overturn rulings handed down by UCSD Chancellor Richard Atkinson. One appeal seeks the nullification of the 1986 A.S. elections, and all subsequent A.S. elections. The other appeal asks for restoration of the A.S. Constitution of 1977 on the grounds that the Constitution of 1985 was illegally adopted. The appeals are being pressed by the organization which functioned as the student government from 1974 to 1977, the Student Cooperative Union.

Rigged Elections

The elections complaint arose when over 10% of the student body was disenfranchised—prevented from voting—during the first balloting in 1986. In keeping with provisions of the new (illegal) A.S. Constitution of 1985, the elections had been scheduled very early in the Spring Quarter. The Registrar's office did not have time to process everyone's enrollment fees and many students were left unable to prove enrollment. They were turned away at the polls as ineligible to vote. Jelger Kalmijn, of the SCU, filed a complaint and the A.S. Elections Commission threw out the election results. At this point the real trouble began.

A second round of balloting was scheduled three weeks later. When candidates petitioned the A.S. Council and the Chancellor for reimbursement of all campaign expenses from the nullified first ballot, they were turned down. In addition, the Election Commission declined to place a ban on any new campaign spending. The result was that candidates with enough money were permitted to spend twice the purported limits. Candidates with more limited budgets were severely

disadvantaged. This took on serious discriminatory dimensions due to the fact that a Third World/Progressive white slate was on the ballot. Compounding the injury, the polls at the colleges where this slate showed strength during the first balloting, were closed. The slate had a poor showing in the second balloting, compared with the original voting results. Complaints and charges of discrimination were filed. The administration has, at each step of the process, ruled against the charges, and completely avoided addressing the issues.

The appeal seeks new elections, to be held no later than October of 1988, and conducted by an Election Commission comprised entirely of non-UCSD personnel.

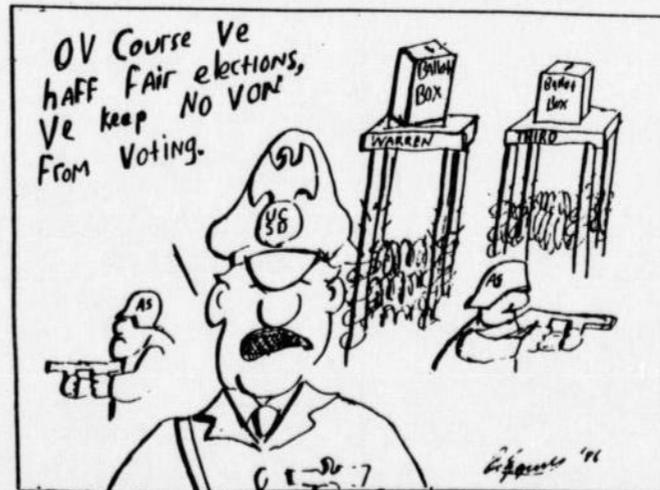
A Frat Constitution?

The A.S. Constitution of 1977 clearly requires that a constitutional convention be held whenever proposals for a new constitution are being considered. Only after such a convention, in which all students can vote, can new constitutions be submitted for a ratification vote by referendum. In the winter of 1985, the Greek-dominated A.S. Council decided to avoid any real input from the student body, and voted to put a new constitution up for a vote by referendum, without holding a constitutional convention.

The new constitution was approved by a voter turnout of less than 6 percent of the enrolled students. It contains provisions which make it much harder for students to use the initiative process to overturn Council actions. It requires elections so early in the Spring quarter that campaigning conflicts with late changes of class schedules and other early quarter business. It increases the number of A.S. vice presidents and commissioners—the positions that have salaries attached.

The SCU filed a complaint to nullify the constitutional referendum of 1985 and restore the 1977 constitution. The complaint alleges that students' due process rights, under the U.S. Constitution, were violated when the University permitted a new constitution to be adopted, without observing the established rules and procedures for doing so.

While the SCU has historically supported greater democracy in the student government structures (and throughout the university and society more generally) it does not seek to regain its former status as the recognized student government. The SCU believes that as long as the student government is legally a branch of the UC administration, and subject to being overruled by the Chancellor, that students ought to avoid putting all their 'eggs' in this 'basket'. Students, instead, need to build a student union completely independent of the university.



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THE PROPONENTS OF THE FOOTBALL REFERENDUM ARE USING THE OTHER SPORTS TEAMS TO CREATE THE FOOTBALL TEAM.

The football referendum originated with creating a football team as **THE GOAL!** The creators of the referendum included all other sports only so that they could gain a **BROADER** base of support. It would have been **A LOT** easier to pass a referendum which would simply supply more funding for the existing sports teams. However this was **NOT** done! The reason is that a referendum question which would have **ONLY** supported the existing teams could certainly pass. However, this would have frustrated the football proponents, since such a referendum would have excluded the creation of a football team!

Also notice that the only sport named in the referendum is **FOOTBALL!** Thus one can conclude that the other sports are insignificant compared to football. The following attitude is displayed: 'Football only matters, not women's waterpolo, not crew...only football. All OTHER sports are **NOT** important...only FOOTBALL.' It is sad to say, but an athlete of some OTHER SPORT would be belittled (relative to a football player) because he/she participated in a "insignificant" sport. Right now all of our dedicated athletes are held in

equal esteem. A Football team would forever change this.

IS \$45 REALLY ENOUGH?

Last year the football proponents told us that a fee increase of about \$6/quarter would have been enough **FOR ALL** sports teams. Now we are told that \$45/year is the amount needed. Such dirty deception! Will they come back next year and ask for even **MORE?** Has no one considered where the football team is to play? How much will they want for a stadium? What guarantees are there that football will not consume the funds for other sports? None!

The \$45 a student per year fee is **NOT** a One-Time fee.

Voting yes on this referendum will lock in this fee. This fee would be assessed year after year. In fact the amount of money may **NOT EVEN BE ENOUGH** for football!!! Every year **INSURANCE** for football would have to be paid. This cost for insurance is far greater than most of the annual budgets of many other IC sports. Football insurance costs **BIG BUCKS!** Of which the students themselves would have to pay directly each year.

A.S. fees are considerably less than the fee which would be mandated by the passing of this football referendum!



Imagine what else could be done with a fraction of that money which would be tied into football:

- i) The A.S. could hire great bands for the T.G.s
- ii) More T.G.s
- iii) A massive UCSD beach party, with a great band and B.B.Q.
- iv) More festivals. (such as the SunGod or Jazz festivals)
- v) Extend library hours.
- vi) More parking.
- vii) ...etc....

As you can see there are many other uses to which such money could be utilized to improve UCSD's spirit/social environment.

CERTAINLY YOU CAN FIND SOME BETTER WAYS TO SPEND YOUR \$45!



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BESIDES WHY DOES THE INDIVIDUAL STUDENT HAVE TO PAY BIG BUCKS FOR FOOTBALL?? They don't in other universities. (such as Stanford, USC, UCLA, MIT, CALTECH, etc.....)

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