

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MINUTES

April 4, 1995

- I. ROLL CALL: Dan Lam and Mark Trainor were absent. Stephanie Hunter, Matt Odell, Christine O'Loughlin, Janice Murphy and Karyn Dufault were excused. Tony Chiuchiolo sent an alternate.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 1995: The Minutes were accepted with a correction to the Roll Call.
- III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Steve Pratt
- A. Blue Key Selection Committee: Kim Shea
1. Members of the Committee voted for 1994/95 Blue Key Award recipients on March 29. I would like to thank this Committee for a great job!
- B. Many students showed interest in the open position for All College Representative. I held several interviews for this position. It was good to see that there are a lot of students who wanted to be involved with our organization this far into the year. Steve Pratt moved that SGA accept the appointment of Joe Decie as an All College Representative. The Motion was accepted.
- C. Azanda Howard from Admissions has contacted SGA to inquire whether we would be interested in helping with the annual Brunch for accepted students. The Brunch will be held on Saturday, April 8 at 10:00 a.m. in the Dining Commons. The Admissions Office is looking for student leaders who would be interested in helping out by giving tours and answering questions about student life, classes and how to get involved. There are expected to be 1500 students and parents attending. Steve Pratt recognized Chris Tarvit from the Admissions Office to discuss the Brunch and let SGA know what they need to do if they want to help out.
- D. The Student Advisory Council will meet on April 6 at Worcester State. Lori Potter and I will be attending.
- E. A student from the Class of 1997 or 1998 is needed for the Senior Survey Committee:
The following dialogue is an adaptation and statements may be paraphrased.
1. *Christina Meriano* - We've decided upon a Survey that the College wants to administer to incoming Freshman and then after their four years, outgoing Seniors. It's a basic overview of their College experience. What we are doing right now is deciding on the best survey to administer. What the Freshman or Sophomore member of this committee would do is be an active member and help to tally survey results.
- F. The April 13 Meeting of the Higher Education Coordinating Council scheduled to be at WSC has been relocated back to the HECC Office in Boston. If you will recall, at this meeting tuition for the the 1995/96 academic year will be determined.
The following dialogue is an adaptation and statements may be paraphrased.
1. *Christina Meriano* - Is there a way we could organize a bus to go to the HECC Meeting in Boston.
Steve Pratt - There is a possibility that we could do this.

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Lori Potter or I could give you the address and more information on this. I am not sure as to whether HECC meetings are open or not.

2. *Mike Young* - Do you know any reason why they relocated the meeting?

Tom Stewart - Is there any possibility that they aren't coming here because of the negotiations with the faculty contracts?

President Applbaum - The reason is very simple. They can't get a quorum. They have a short agenda which includes financial discussions about tuition and other items. It is an open meeting.

- G. There will be a Student Rally held on April 10 at 3:30 p.m. on the front steps of Ely with Congressman John Olver regarding the proposed federal cuts in Financial Aid.

The President's Report was accepted.

IV. BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT: *Lori Potter*

- A. Republicans have proposed financial aid cuts of \$12 billion over five years. Effected would be Stafford Loans, Perkins Loans, College Work Study and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (SEOG). *Lori Potter* recognized *John Brunelle* who spoke to SGA regarding the Student Rally on Financial Aid Cuts:

The following dialogue is an adaptation and statements may be paraphrased.

1. *John Brunelle* - What we want to accomplish here at Westfield State is to try and get the students mobilized. It's not an event for Congressman Olver. He's coming up here but we will make sure he talks briefly. We are trying to get the students to tell their stories so they can be heard. We are going to make it your event. These proposals are probably going to come up in the next month or so. It's going to be important that you come out publicly. Students over the years have not voted. That hurts because the people that want to make these cuts are going to come after you. It's important that you let your legislators know that you will vote. It's your Rally and I urge you to bring friends and people with you.
- B. All action items on the Agenda from the April 3 Meeting of the Board of Trustees were accepted. Please see me if you would like to see this information.
- C. State College Day at the State House will be on April 11. Thus far everything is a go. *Dr. Applbaum* and *Dr. Stakenas* are both planning to go as well. If you are interested in going, please meet at 8:00 a.m. in front of *Parenzo Hall*.
- D. Senator *Mike Knapik* will be at the April 18 SGA Meeting.
- E. *Steve Pratt* and I will be attending the April 6 SAC Meeting at Worcester State.

The Board of Trustees' Report was accepted.

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V. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT-STUDENT LIFE: Kim Shea

A. Student Life Committee: Kim Shea

1. SLC discussed different problems that Residence Halls are having with respect to their property at the Front Desk. ID's are not being checked properly by the people at the front desk. I contacted Dr. Conlogue about this issue and this is going to be enforced.
2. Residential Life is in the process of finding a replacement for the Residence Director of Courtney Hall. A letter was sent to all Residents notifying them about this matter. As far as I know, there have not been any problems.
3. Residential Life is currently consulting with the College Attorney (Mark Peters) regarding the legal issue of entering a student's room either for Health and Safety reasons or any other reason that may come up. This policy may be changed for next year. I will let you know. Currently, it's very vague in the handbook on how RA's, ISO's and RD's can key into a room. We want to make it more structured so students know their rights.
4. Chrissy O'Loughlin is at an Appreciation Dinner tonight sponsored by the Red Cross. This is in appreciation for the help that NAC gave to them during their Blood Drive at WSC.
5. The Student Life Committee will meet on April 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the SGA Room.

B. Parking Control Board: No Report

C. Alcohol Review Board: Mark Trainor

1. All Senior Week Events were approved by Vice President Mazza.
2. The ARB Workshop held on March 30 went fine. I will hold another one in the fall as well.
3. The Alcohol Review Board will meet on April 5 at 4:00 p.m. in the SGA Room. We will be discussing Spring Weekend.

D. Health Committee: Sarah Anderson

1. There will be a CPR and Heimlich Demonstration in the Courtney Lounge at 6:30 tonight. Students will also be able to sign up for classes if they need to be certified.
2. The final draft of the Health Survey has been prepared and will be submitted within a week or two. The results will be in *The Owl* before the semester ends.
3. The Health Committee will meet on April 18 at 4:00 p.m. in Health Services.

E. Food Services: No Report

F. Neighborhood Association Committee: No Report

G. Student Affairs Committee: No Report

The Vice President's Report-Student Life was accepted.

VI. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT-PROGRAMMING: Christina Meriano

- A. Chanterelle will be here tomorrow at 8:00 p.m. in the Ely Lounge.
- B. Coffeehouse/Open Mic & Taste of Greece will be held on April 12 at

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8:00 p.m. in the Ely Lounge.

- C. Fund raising rights for "Forrest Gump" on April 21 will go to the Third World Organization.
- D. Spring Weekend update: Digable Planets is confirmed. . . more information to come!!!
- E. The Campus Activities Board will meet on April 5 at 5:00 p.m. in the SGA Room.

The Vice President's Report-Programming was accepted.

VII. FINANCE REPORT: Kim Harper/Emily Wilson

A. Finance Committee: Kim Harper

- 1. Kim Harper moved that SGA allocate \$1,850.90 to Amnesty International to help fund their Symposium on the Peace Process in Ireland:

The following dialogue is an adaptation and statements may be paraphrased.

- a. *Joe Decie* - A lot of people on our campus don't know anything about the peace process in Ireland. Our school is made up of about 70% Irish Americans. We started to develop a Symposium that we are proposing to you. Originally there was a budget of \$4,500. Over the past few months we cut that budget to \$2,700. We have cut back a bit without jeopardizing the Symposium itself. We have some really big names coming to speak at the Symposium. Dr. Lopes will donate \$800.00 to us. We basically covered every department on campus. No one from the campus community will be left out. We went to them seeking contributions. Any money made from food and beverage sales will be returned to SGA.
- b. *Erik Kester* - This is a large global problem and a confusing issue. I think this is a great opportunity for people to learn about this.
- c. *Ted Christ* - What other things has this club done this year?

Joe Decie - Due to the confusion with the constitution, we've had a hard time giving our club direction on what we could do. The International Chapter out of Boston or Northampton sent us studies on different prisoners and their human rights violations. We then write letters to host governments and the prisoners themselves. We say that we understand that their rights are being violated and that we will press your government and our government for your release.

- d. *Christina Meriano* - I would like to commend Amnesty International for an excellent job in putting this together. You have an extremely impressive speaker list and this Symposium is a great idea!
- e. *Garrett Ford* - How did Finance vote?
Kim Harper - Unanimously in favor.

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The Motion was accepted with one abstention (George Ramirez).

2. The Finance Committee meets on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the SGA Room.

- B. Kim Harper moved that SGA accept the SGA Trust Fund Budget for fiscal year 96:

The following dialogue is an adaptation and statements may be paraphrased.

1. Mark Trainor - Why isn't the Senior Subsidy a line item?
Kim Harper - It has been in the past. I put the money in Reserve this year because the percentage I needed for reserve funds increased. However, I can move the money to wherever you want. It's up to you. The Vice President of Finance for 1995/96 can take care of this next year.

Leah Orsini moved to amend that the budget show the Senior Subsidy as a line item. The motion to amend was accepted with two abstention (Ted Christ and Joe Decie). The main motion stood on the floor that SGA accept the SGA Trust Fund Budget for fiscal year 96 with the Senior Subsidy being listed as a line item. The Motion was accepted with seven abstentions (Joanne Avery, Corey Brackett, Leah Orsini, Mike Young, Owen Johnson, Joe Decie and Ted Christ).

The Finance Report was accepted.

VIII. SECRETARY'S REPORT: Cindy Pucillo/Denise Gould

- A. Publicity Committee: Cindy Pucillo

1. Publicity Committee will be meeting on April 10 at 7:00 p.m. and I need to see everyone on this committee after Senate.

- B. Senate Banquet Committee: Cindy Pucillo

1. Senate Banquet Tickets are now on sale at the Teller Window. Tell your friends!

- C. Elections for all SGA and Class positions will be on April 18 and 19 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Campus Center Lobby and from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the Dining Commons. I need people to sign up to help out at the election tables. If you are not running for a position next year, please sign up to help. I also need people to help count ballots. Please see me.

- D. A forum for all candidates running for positions will be held on April 12 at 4:00 p.m. in the SGA Room. Candidates will be speaking about themselves and what positions they are running for. This is open to the entire campus community. Come and support the candidates.

The Secretary's Report was accepted.

XIV. BOARD OF GOVERNORS' REPORT: Jim Joyce

- A. The Board of Governors' will meet on April 10 at 1:30 p.m.

The Board of Governors' Report was accepted.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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A. Rules and Regulations Committee: Ted Christ

1. The Rules and Regulations Committee reviewed and made corrections on two pending constitutions (The Chess Club and Amnesty International). Neither constitution was accepted and recommendations were made to these clubs.
2. Rules and Regulations set an agenda for the remainder of the year in order to finalize work on SGA Bylaws.
3. Rules and Regulations will meet on April 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the SGA Room.

B. Exchange Committee: No Report

C. Athletic Council: No Report

The Rules and Regulations Report was accepted.

XII. COMMUTER COUNCIL, THIRD WORLD, CLASS AND HALL REPORTS:

A. Commuter Council: No Report

B. Third World: George Ramirez

1. Third World Organization is making plans for a trip to Six Flags Great Adventures. All are welcome to come! The trip will cost \$25.00 for non-members. The trip will be held on May 13.
2. The Third World Organization will meet on April 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Third World Room.

C. Senior Class: Chris Sault

1. The Senior Class will meet on April 9 at 8:30 p.m.

D. Junior Class: Janice Murphy

1. The Class of 1996 has put together the final preparations for our Raffle for a Limo to and from the Banquet. Tickets can be purchased at the Teller Window when you buy your banquet tickets. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 and the winner will be selected on April 18 at 8:00 p.m. in the Campus Center Lounge.
2. The Class of 1996 will be meeting with Vice President Mazza, Daryl Hendery, Jon Conlogue, Father Dean, Christina Meriano and Emily Wilson to discuss the Senior Week allocation from the Campus Center budget. This meeting will take place on April 10 at 4:00 p.m. in Daryl Hendery's Office.

The following dialogue is an adaptation and statements may be paraphrased.

- a. Ted Christ - Do you have any idea how long the Senior Class had been getting that money from the Campus Center and why it is suddenly being reconsidered?
Kevin Joslyn - The programming budget has been cut by 72%.
- b. Ted Christ - Where is the 72% of that money going?
Andy Johnson - To the rest of the Campus Center for operations. It goes into salaries, payroll for student employees and all the Campus Center Budget. We haven't asked for a fee increase in seven years. The area which was the hardest area to cut from but the easiest in

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terms of commitment to money was programming.

- c. *Ted Christ* - Why is 70% of this money suddenly needed for next year?

Andy Johnson - We've been living off our reserves. Now we have wiped out our reserves and we have to start making hard decisions on our budget. Last year we had a reserve of about \$65,000. This year we have about \$30,000. After seven years, everything has gone up except our income.

- d. *Steve Dailey* - It seems like you are getting 70% more to do 70% less. Is this going to be something that is going to happen every year? A 30% programming budget isn't much. I'm really scared of what programming will look like next year.

Andy Johnson - I will be holding a meeting in the near future with all interested parties. I will be sending out notices to everybody. We can sit down and talk about how we program with very few dollars. It's going to be a very ugly year for programming next year. It's very difficult when you don't have money.

- e. *Steve Dailey* - How will you get more money in the years to come?

Andy Johnson - Eventually there will have to be a fee increase.

- f. *Christina Meriano* - Everybody sits here and complains about spending a lot of money for a night at Chez Josef and then you turn around and complain that we don't have any programming. I didn't see anyone at the programs I put on, so you can keep your comments to yourself!

- g. *Ted Christ* - For the people that are going to be here next year and the year after who will be deciding on whether to support a campus center fee increase, I would suggest that you give SGA a fee increase instead. That way we can do programming the way we want to.

- h. *Andy Johnson* - I don't care where the money comes from just as long as we have the money to do programming you would like to see.

4. We have just about finalized our speaker list for Convocation. We will be submitting this to Dean Martin.
5. The Class of 1996 will meet on April 6 at 3:30 p.m. in the Campus Center Lounge.

E. Sophomore Class: Corey Brackett

1. Our Class met today and discussed a possible trip to Freeport, Maine to shop at all the Outlets. This would be open to the entire campus.
2. I met with Dean Martin regarding Senior Week workers. We have 15 workers. We need an agenda from the Senior Class and then this will be set.
3. The Class of 1997 will meet on April 11 at 4:00 p.m. in the SGA Room.

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- F. Freshman Class: Tony Chiuchiolo
1. Freshman Spirit Day has been postponed.
 2. The Class of 1997 will meet on April 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Scanlon Mailroom.
- G. Apartment Complex: Eric Kester
1. The Apartment Complex Council will meet on April 10 at 6:00 p.m. in Apartment 2B4.
- H. Courtney Hall: No Report
- I. Davis Hall: Megan McPartland
1. Mocktail Night will be held on April 26.
 2. Along with some of the RA's, Hall Council is going to assist is a Scavenger Hunt sometime in April or May.
 3. On April 5 we will be sponsoring a 90210 Night with Pizza and Popcorn.
 4. We are also planning a cookout.
 5. Davis Hall Council will meet on April 6 at 7:30 p.m. At this meeting we will vote on purchasing covers for the fire alarms.
- J. Dickinson Hall: No Report
- K. Lammers Hall: No Report
- L. Scanlon Hall: Jay Dilisio
1. On April 31 Scanlon Hall is having an end of the year field day at Stanley Park. This will be from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
 2. We will be holding a dorm wide pool tournament and hope to make some money to either fix or buy a used pool table.
 3. The Scanlon Hall Council will meet on April 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the Scanlon Mailroom.

The Third World, Class and Hall Reports were accepted.

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS: None

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Brian Daoust - Mr. Courtney will be held on April 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Dever Auditorium.
- B. Kerri McQueston - Raffle Tickets for a limo to the Senate Banquet are on sale at the Teller Window for \$1.00.
- C. Christina Meriano - CAB meets at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. If you are interested in Programming for next year, come talk to me.
- D. Kim Harper - Any Class or Hall that did a fund raiser and has not passed in the Report Form, please do so. I need that for my records.
- E. Lori Potter - Mike Knapik will be here on Tuesday, April 18 to talk about any issues you want to discuss. I also need to speak with Senators who will be going to the State House.

XVI. ROLL CALL: Dan Lam and Joanne Avery were absent. Matt Odell, Janice Murphy, Stephanie Hunter, Christine O'Loughline and Karen Dufault were excused. Tony Chiuchiolo was excused.

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XVII. ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia R. Pucillo
Executive Secretary

Denise M. Gould
Secretary of the Legislature

CRP/DMG/bh

cc: Peter Mazza
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Daryl Hendery
Paul Bogan
Amy Szlachetka
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March 31, 1995

TO: Student Government Members

**FR: Azanda Howard
Admission/Financial Aid**

RE: Saturday Brunch

Thank you for your interest in assisting with the Brunch for Accepted Students. The brunch is Saturday, April 8 from 10-1pm. If anyone is also willing to help with parking from 8:15-10:00 (taking shifts, of course) in the faculty lot between Parenzo and Bates, as well as parking in the commuter lot, I would be most grateful.

Please remember to include your extension and whether or not you can assist with parking, so that I can contact you later in the week to confirm your commitment.

If your schedules allow, I would also like to meet you prior to Saturday, so please stop by Parenzo 105 when you have the time.

Thank you again for your positive contribution and dedication to our College.

WESTFIELD

Reception for Accepted Students Saturday, April 8, 1995 Agenda

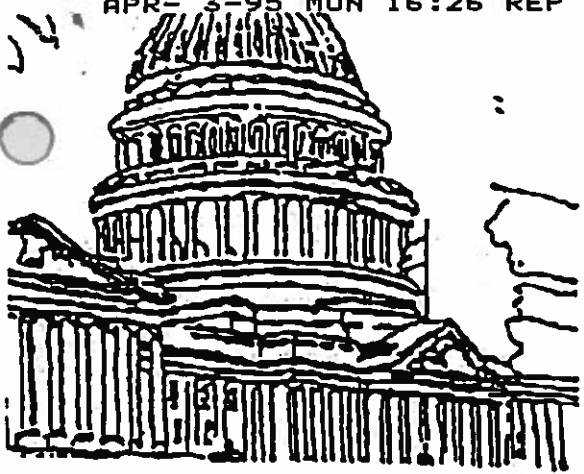
- 10:00 a.m. Greetings from President Applbaum.
Brunch with faculty and staff at the Dining Commons.*
- 11:00 a.m. Informal discussion groups.
Small groups of prospective students will meet with Westfield State orientation group leaders in designated campus center locations and residence hall lounges. Groups of parents will meet with faculty and staff in designated classrooms. Student and parent name tags will include discussion group numbers.*
- 12:00 Optional campus tours for student and parent groups.
Guests who do not wish to tour the campus may wait for other family members on tour at Wilson Auditorium. An Admission staff member/notary public will be available to accept admission/residence hall deposits until 1:00 p.m.*
- 1:00 p.m. Adjourn.*



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NOTES: Please find enclosed a copy of the
proposed Press Release. We will contact
the Financial Aid Director for the #'s.
Thank you for all of your help.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 30, 1995

**Olver to rally in North Adams
protesting financial aid cuts**

**contact: Leslie Lillard
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Rep. John W. Olver (D-First District) announced today that he will join students, faculty and administrators in holding a rally at Westfield State College on the steps of the Ely Building at 3:30 on Monday to protest proposed Republican cuts in student financial aid.

"In Newt Gingrich's America, these Republicans will cut financial aid that students from hard-working families require to get an education," Olver said. "At state colleges like Westfield, this means hundreds of students might lose their aid."

The rally will begins Monday at 3:30 in front of the Ely Building.

Republicans in Congress have proposed to cut more than \$12 billion over five years in college assistance by eliminating or restructuring four aid programs. On the chopping block are Stafford Loans, Perkins Loans, College Work Study and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (SEOG).

Currently, students are able to defer payments on Stafford loans for 6 months after graduation. Under the new proposals, interest would begin to accrue immediately. For the # students at Westfield State who received Stafford Loans last year, the proposal would add # to the cost of going to school for four years. Perkins Loans would be eliminated entirely. Last year, students at Westfield State received over ## in Perkins Loans.

Republicans would also eliminate the federal work-study

(more)

NORTH ADAMS RALLY

SPEAKING PROGRAM

12:00 NOON

BOB GAY, PRESIDENT, STUDENT
GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
(Bob will MC the event)

12:05 - 12:10

PRESIDENT TOM ACETO
(Brief remarks to students)

12:10 - 12:20

GERRY DEMARIS, FINANCIAL AID
DIRECTOR
(Brief Remarks about how the cuts
will affect North Adams State
students next year)

12:20 - 12:30

CONGRESSMAN JOHN OLVER
(message from Washington)

12:30 - 1:00

RECIPIENTS OF FINANCIAL AID
(personal stories)

**The GOP's Contract on College Students;
An Analysis of the Republican's Proposal to End
Aid to College Students**

As the Republican-controlled Congress considers legislation to cut taxes for mostly the wealthy while balancing the budget, Newt Gingrich is poised to make draconian cuts in programs that benefit middle and working class Americans.

One of the areas of the federal budget that is virtually certain to sustain drastic cuts is college assistance. In fact, the Republican Congress has already proposed slashing billions by eliminating or restructuring four college aid programs: Stafford Interest-Deferred Student Loans, Perkins Student Loans, College Work Study, and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants.

In total, the Gingrich proposal will add nearly \$13 billion to the cost of going to college for American students over the next five years.

Stafford Loans:

The GOP proposal eliminates the interest-deferred Stafford Loan program.

Currently, a low or middle income student may take out a guaranteed student loan for as much as \$5,500 in a year to pay for college tuition. The interest on that loan is deferred until 6 months after graduation. Under the Gingrich plan, interest would begin accruing on the loan immediately.

In 1994, the Department of Education approved 4,542,000 student loans totalling \$14.758 billion. The typical loan was for \$3,240.

- ** The Gingrich plan will add \$9.6 billion to the cost of going to college over the next five years.
- ** The Gingrich plan costs the typical student \$4,344 in added loan repayments.
- ** The monthly payment for this student would increase from \$153.36 to \$189.56 -- an additional \$36.20 in payments every month for ten years.
- ** 75% of Stafford Loans were awarded to families with incomes ranging from \$12,000 to \$60,000.

Many students take out the maximum student loan each year. The maximum loans are as follows: freshman = \$2,625; sophomore = \$3,500; junior = \$5,500; senior = \$5,500.

- ** The Gingrich plan costs a student taking out the maximum student loan \$5,274 in added repayments.
- ** The monthly payment for this student would increase from \$202.65 to \$246.60 -- an additional \$43.95 in payments every month for ten years.

The Gingrich plan is a hidden tax increase for the 4.522 million students who take out a student loan each year. For a student that takes out the maximum loan, the added repayments from the Gingrich plan completely offset eleven years' worth of a family's \$500 per child tax credit. It takes over nine years of the child care tax credit to offset Newt's student loan plan for the typical student.

Perkins Loans:

The GOP proposal eliminates the Perkins Loan program.

Under the Perkins Loan program, the federal government provides money to colleges to use as a fund for student loans. Colleges use this money to help low income students take out low-interest 5% loans to pay for college. Interest payments for Perkins loans are deferred until nine months after graduation.

** In 1994, 744,000 students received an average yearly loan of \$1,342.

** Perkins Loans will need to be replaced by regular, interest-accruing loans which will increase measurably the cost of loan repayments.

** The elimination of the Perkins Loan program will add \$785 million to the cost of going to college over the next five years.

College Work Study

The GOP proposal eliminates the College Work Study program.

The Work Study program provides federal dollars to colleges to hire low and middle income students for campus jobs like teaching assistance and office support. For every three dollars the federal government contributes, the college must put in one dollar.

Last year, 747,485 students earned on average \$1,098 through the Work Study program. The federal government spent \$613 million and colleges chipped in \$204 million to pay for the program. Without the federal match, it is unlikely that colleges will continue to hire students.

** The end of Work Study will add \$3.0 billion to the cost of going to college over the next five years (not including \$1 billion in college matching funds).

** Nearly 750,000 students will lose a Work Study job worth \$1,090 each year.

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG)

The GOP proposal eliminates Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants.

SEOG is a direct grant program that goes mostly to low income students. It is considered a supplement to the federal loan program.

Last year, the federal government spent \$577 million on SEOG for 931,603 low income students, who received on average \$827.

** Eliminating SEOG will add \$2.9 billion to the cost of going to college for the poorest students in America.

Pell Grants

The GOP proposal increases Pell Grants.

Pell Grants provide money to mostly low income students to help pay for college. 91% of Pell Grants went to students from families earning less than \$30,000 -- 41% with less than \$12,000 in income. Last year, the federal government spent \$6.95 billion on nearly 6 million Pell Grants. The average Pell Grant to a student going to a four-year college was \$1,548.

The GOP plan takes half the savings from SEOG, Work Study, and Perkins Loans and applies it to Pell Grants. The total savings equal \$3.3 billion over five years, or a 9.7% increase in Pell.

** The added funds would increase the number of Pell Grant recipients by 86,951 per year.

Sources for the Report:

GOP Contract with America

Congressional Budget Office, "Spending and Revenue Option," March, 1994

Budget of the United States Government, FY1996

U.S. Department of Education

National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

STATE BY STATE DATA

STATE STUDENT LOAN DATA

STATE	Total additional cost to students over 5 years-GOP	Current average debt	Current average monthly payment	Average monthly payment-GOP	Average monthly difference	Total additional cost per student over life of loan (10 yrs)-GOP	Current # of students w/Stafford loans
Alabama	\$168,237,855	\$12,330	\$145.90	\$15,263	\$180.61	\$4,165	57,561
Alaska	\$10,369,595	\$11,634	\$137.57	\$14,428	\$170.74	\$3,968	3,447
Arizona	\$228,432,728	\$12,818	\$151.69	\$15,849	\$187.55	\$4,303	89,407
Arkansas	\$97,160,538	\$11,423	\$135.18	\$14,176	\$167.75	\$3,909	38,215
California	\$1,145,885,880	\$15,198	\$178.13	\$18,542	\$219.42	\$4,635	341,283
Colorado	\$218,590,825	\$13,183	\$158.00	\$16,285	\$192.72	\$4,408	81,814
Connecticut	\$128,691,063	\$13,835	\$163.72	\$17,037	\$201.61	\$4,547	39,176
Delaware	\$43,888,265	\$12,733	\$150.68	\$15,748	\$188.34	\$4,279	8,177
Florida	\$486,065,640	\$12,684	\$150.10	\$15,887	\$185.64	\$4,265	183,593
Georgia	\$273,141,558	\$12,542	\$148.42	\$15,517	\$183.63	\$4,225	103,253
Hawaii	\$18,634,902	\$11,769	\$139.27	\$14,591	\$172.68	\$4,007	4,887
Idaho	\$59,894,373	\$12,246	\$144.92	\$15,163	\$179.43	\$4,142	24,734
Illinois	\$568,034,843	\$13,850	\$163.90	\$17,054	\$201.82	\$4,550	191,556
Indiana	\$312,522,678	\$12,166	\$143.96	\$15,086	\$178.29	\$4,119	123,492
Iowa	\$240,704,078	\$12,890	\$152.53	\$15,934	\$188.56	\$4,323	91,487
Kansas	\$163,348,490	\$12,468	\$147.55	\$15,429	\$182.58	\$4,204	84,611
Kentucky	\$158,256,595	\$11,953	\$134.34	\$14,091	\$166.75	\$3,889	62,573
Louisiana	\$259,564,432	\$12,303	\$145.59	\$15,231	\$180.23	\$4,157	103,031
Maine	\$80,022,855	\$11,863	\$141.82	\$14,859	\$175.84	\$4,070	22,173
Maryland	\$168,457,612	\$13,503	\$159.78	\$16,854	\$197.07	\$4,473	53,728
Massachusetts	\$522,657,304	\$15,474	\$183.12	\$19,831	\$224.03	\$4,909	137,513
Michigan	\$437,061,461	\$11,775	\$139.25	\$14,598	\$172.75	\$4,008	166,408
Minnesota	\$312,886,755	\$11,859	\$140.34	\$14,899	\$173.94	\$4,032	121,648
Mississippi	\$141,511,092	\$11,845	\$137.80	\$14,442	\$170.90	\$3,972	50,423
Missouri	\$312,389,317	\$13,377	\$159.20	\$18,508	\$195.35	\$4,446	114,463
Montana	\$53,168,008	\$11,803	\$140.86	\$14,752	\$174.57	\$4,046	20,848
Nebraska	\$109,529,638	\$12,028	\$142.31	\$14,898	\$176.30	\$4,079	44,075
New Hampshire	\$82,788,786	\$12,934	\$153.05	\$15,987	\$188.18	\$4,338	27,131
New Jersey	\$167,459,304	\$12,238	\$144.83	\$15,153	\$179.32	\$4,138	71,042
New Mexico	\$121,600,837	\$11,780	\$139.51	\$14,615	\$172.85	\$4,012	29,084

Source: Calculations from CBO estimates, National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities FY84 data. Prepared by the Democratic Leaders' office, 3/28/85.

Middle Market

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students on aid

Aug. Need / per student

or Freq. Distrib. - range of needs - number of students in each range

Pell's + aug award

SEOG "

State Scholarship + "

Tuition Waiver

Staffords or Perkins + aug award

If possible, compare these data to 5 years ago

middle

Cost Services

Program

OWL

Local HCC state CCGS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 30, 1995

Olver to rally in North Adams protesting financial aid cuts

**contact: Leslie Lillard
(202) 225-5335**

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Rep. John W. Olver (D-First District) announced today that he will join students, faculty and administrators in holding a rally at Westfield State College on the steps of the Ely Building at 3:30 on Monday to protest proposed Republican cuts in student financial aid.

"In Newt Gingrich's America, these Republicans will cut financial aid that students from hard-working families require to get an education," Olver said. "At state colleges like Westfield, this means hundreds of students might lose their aid."

The rally will begins Monday at 3:30 in front of the Ely Building.

Republicans in Congress have proposed to cut more than \$12 billion over five years in college assistance by eliminating or restructuring four aid programs. On the chopping block are Stafford Loans, Perkins Loans, College Work Study and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (SEOG).

Currently, students are able to defer payments on Stafford loans for 6 months after graduation. Under the new proposals, interest would begin to accrue immediately. For the # students at Westfield State who received Stafford Loans last year, the proposal would add # to the cost of going to school for four years. Perkins Loans would be eliminated entirely. Last year, students at Westfield State received over ## in Perkins Loans.

Republicans would also eliminate the federal work-study

(more)

Your Financial Aid Could Be Cut!!!

(Stafford Loans, SEOG Grants, Perkins Loans, Work Study)

Let Congress know You won't stand
for it!

Join

Congressman John Olver

for a

* RALLY *

to protest cuts in student financial aid

Monday, April 10, 3:30 p.m
Ely Campus Center

Music and refreshments will be there; you should be there, too!

If it rains, join us at Wilson Auditorium A

(Olver to host rally at Westfield State...page 2)

program, which makes up three-quarters of the entire work-study budget. Without federal assistance, colleges may discontinue the program, leaving ## students at Westfield without a college job.

Also slated to be cut are Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (SEOG). Last year, # students at Westfield received these cash grants, which colleges use for their neediest students.

The cuts in financial aid come on the heels of controversial cuts in school lunch programs that were part of the Republican welfare reform proposal.

For more information, contact Leslie Lillard at (202) 225-5335.

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SYMPOSIUM ON THE PEACE PROCESS IN IRELAND

April 21st, Friday

1. Introduction to Symposium
2:45PM-3:00PM
2. Building a healthier economic and social structure for Ireland in the 21st Century
B. O'Donnell, E. Nowlan, D. Alexander
3:00PM-5:00PM
3. Reception Dinner
5:30PM-8:00PM
Dr. Lopes

April 22nd, Saturday

5. Continental Breakfast
8:45AM-9:15AM
6. Role of Religion and Churches in the formation of Unionist and Nationalist political aspirations.
9:15AM-11:15AM
K. Cullen, J. Powers, R. McAllister
7. Tea
11:00AM-11:30AM
8. Is there a role for the United States in building an Ireland for the 21st century?
11:30AM-1:30PM
C. Shannon, S. Rowlands
9. Lunch
1:30PM-3:00PM
10. Examining constitutional and political choices for the development of Ireland in the upcoming century.
3:00PM-5:00PM
C. O'Riordan, R. Mulvahill, D. Alexander
11. Conference Dinner
5:30PM-8:00PM
Pres. Applbaum

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Projected Budget Proposal for Symposium on the Peace Process in Ireland

Cost:

Food and Beverage- \$1050.90

Speaker's Honorarium- \$1675.00

Total- \$2725.90

Funds:

Academic Affairs- \$800.00

Projected Ticket Sales- \$100.00

Projected Food and Beverage Sales: \$50.00

Projected History Dept. Donation: \$75.00

Total- \$1,025.00

Needed SGA contribution: \$1,700.90

We need SGA to front the money for both the estimated income from Ticket and Food and Beverage sales, so we need a total of \$1850.90. Whatever money is made from these sales will be returned to SGA.

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Appendix A

**Symposium on the Peace Process in Ireland
List of Speakers as of the 1st April, 1995**

1st Panel, Building a healthier economic and social structure for Ireland in the 21st century;

- a. Bill O'Donnell, Boston Ireland Ventures
- b. Elizabeth Nowlan, Irish American Partnership
- c. Donald Alexander, Northern Ireland Bureau

2nd Panel, Role of Religion and Churches in the formation of Unionist and Nationalist political aspirations;

- a. Jerry Powers, National Conference of Catholic Bishops
- b. Kevin Cullen, Boston Globe
- c. Ron McAllister, Northeastern University

3rd Panel, Is there a role for the United States in building an Ireland for the 21st century;

- a. Catherine Shannon, Westfield State College
- b. Sean Rowlands, Boston College

4th Panel, Examining constitutional and political choices for the development of Ireland in the upcoming century;

- a. Connor O'Riordon, Irish Consulate General
- b. Donald Alexander, Northern Ireland Bureau
- c. Robert Mulvahill, Rosemont College, PA



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Symposium on the Peace Process in Ireland

Cost of panels

1st Panel;

cost of 1a.= \$150.00
cost of 1b.= \$150.00
cost of 1c.= \$0.00
total for 1= \$300.00

2nd Panel;

cost of 2a.= \$500.00
cost of 2b.= \$150.00
cost of 2c.= \$75.00
total for 2= \$725.00

3rd Panel;

cost of 3a.= \$0.00
cost of 3b.= \$150.00
total for 3= \$150.00

4th Panel;

cost of 4a.= \$0.00
cost of 4b.= \$0.00
cost of 4c.= \$500.00
total for 4= \$500.00

Total speaker cost: \$1675.00

Total cost of Food Services \$1050.90

Total cost of Symposium: \$2725.90

Subject to change

See appendix A. for the list of speakers

See appendix B. for the food list

ALL FEES PAID TO SPEAKERS ARE HONORARIUMS, NO MONIES HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO SPEAKERS FOR FOOD, TRAVEL OR LODGINGS.



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Appendix B

Projected Cost for Meals for Symposium on the Peace Process in Ireland.

Reception Dinner:

21 April, 1995
Hot Buffet
One Entree served
30 people
cost: \$238.50

Continental Breakfast:

22 April, 1995
Continental A
30 people
cost: \$52.75

Tea/Other

22 April, 1995
2 Gallons of Coffee
2 Gallons of Decaf. Coffee
2 Gallons of Tea
1 Gallon of Milk
2 Dozen assorted canned soda
2 Dozen assorted Very Fine Fruit Juices
2 Dozen assorted muffins
2 Dozen Homemade cookies
1 Dozen Brownies
60 small box lunches
cost: \$311.15
sell to audience at 10% mark-up

Lunch:

22 April, 1995
Cold Buffet
Economy Special
30 people
cost: \$120.00

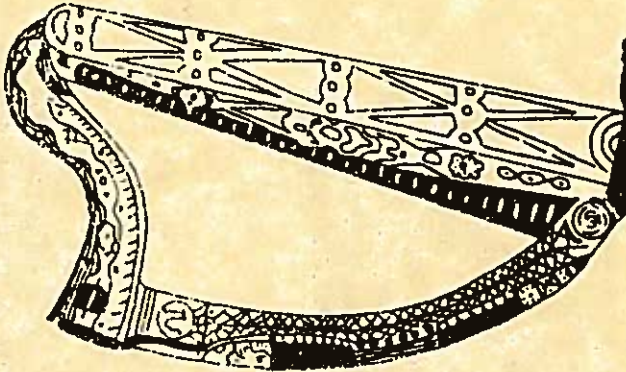
Conference Dinner:

22 April, 1995
Sit Down Dinner
choice of main entree; A) Chicken Cordon Blue
B) Prime Rib
30 people
cost: \$328.50

Total projected meal cost for symposium: \$1050.90. This is only an estimate and any modification to the menu or cost will be immediately reported. All questions concerning meal selection and prices can be referred to Morrison's Catering Catalog.

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