Faculty Moves On Sports Funds

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A resolution that would require Athletic Director Paul Dietzel to come before the Student Allocations Committee (SAC) for yearly athletic funding was passed by the Faculty Senate yesterday.

The resolution must now go before the Board of Trustees for final approval.

A FIGHT between the SAC and the athletic department last spring over the funding of sports clubs, such as soccer, rugby and women's sports triggered the resolution which has bounced around in a committee for months.

Scott Derks, then SAC chairman, gave a unanimous commission opinion that the sports clubs should be funded by the athletic department. In a letter to Dietzel, Derks said the commission, which had previously funded the clubs out of the student activity fee, would no longer do so if the athletic department was unwilling to take over or share the funding load.

The philosophy behind the SAC's move was that since some of the sports clubs were playing intercollegiate teams funded by their respective athletic departments, Dietzel should take this funding responsibility.

PRESIDENT JONES told the Senate, "a great deal of ground work must be laid for this. This problem is a high priority problem." Jr. Rufus G. Fellers of the College of Engineering said a considerable amount of study needs to be done on the proposal, but added since it was student money involved, the students should determine how it is spent.

A fee of $12.50 taken from the $80 paid by full-time students goes to the funding of the athletic department. The student activity fee which has previously funded the sports clubs and all other student organizations is $13.50.

THE SENATE's action is part of a continuing drive to cut down on the financial independence of the athletic and particularly Dietzel. A year ago, the Board of Trustees took control of Campus Shop revenues that go to the funding of the USC Cheerleaders and the USC Band away from the former LSU coach whose popularity dropped drastically since the losing football seasons of the past two years.

Also the trustee's responded to mounting public pressure last spring and released the terms Dietzel's contract with the university.

Library Addition Nine Months Behind

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Work on the Undergraduate Library addition is behind schedule but may not affect the June 1975 completion date according to Harold Brunton, vice-president for business affairs.

Brunton said Tuesday the work was about nine months behind but added that the lost time may well be made up by the scheduled completion date.

"IN OTHER words, all we know is where we thought they would be," Brunton said. "They know where they're heading. We wish them every success in getting there."

Officials for Dargan Construction Co. of Myrtle Beach, S. C., general contractors for the project, say that they're running about two and one-half months behind their planned schedule.

Joe Sutherland, job superintendent, said the lost time can be made up by working longer hours, putting more men on the job and with a good stretch of weather.

According to Sutherland, the cause of the delay is the wet, rainy weather experienced during last January, February and March.

"Last winter was unusual," said Sutherland.

"Normally, when you have delays of any consequence you put in a request for extra time and they extend your completion date," Sutherland said.

IF THE BUILDING is not completed on time, Brunton said the university would, as a matter of course, take legal action against Dargan. "We have a penalty clause for every contact we enter into," Brunton said.

The clause stipulates that the construction company would reimburse the university a predetermined amount of money for each day the job is not finished on time.

Construction companies fail to finish projects on time in about one-third of all jobs under taken on campus, Brunton said. He said the company was technically and legally entitled to some lost time because the weather has been so bad.

He explained that 'an involved standard legal document' used in all USC construction projects specifies what is considered a working day and what is not.

Such factors as rain and temperature figures in determining whether a construction company can legally be held accountable for the working day, Brunton said.

When the library is moved, some of the books will go into the old law library in Petigru and others will be transferred to the new law school library.

BRUNTON SAID McKissick library will continue in its present capacity until the new library is completed and all the books can be moved at once.

McKissick, after it no longer serves as the graduate library, will be modified to become an

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Coffee Conspiracy

Coffee never amounted to a bill of beans to most people, but wherever one finds students in mass, one finds gobs of that murky brown liquid. It's milder than amphetamines, and stronger than a cold shower and you can lay odds that when the price of coffee goes up, so does the collective student eyebrow. See Joanne Dozier's report on this price increase and that of campus food in general on page 3.

Promises, Promises

We broke our promise, and we're sorry. We've been telling everyone that the Gamecock would be a morning paper this fall. This promise was on a new computer system that we have rented that will not only enable us to get you the paper by your first class of the day, but will also save $20,000 per year in printing costs.

The computer is here, but barely. By Wednesday afternoon it was being installed and checked out for 'bugs.' So we are praying and fasting in hopes of having a production schedule set up by the Monday edition.

So bear with us, we've put in a lot of time on this project and won't rest until we can show you a quality finished product.