President candidates outline campaign goals

By John Schloerb, political editor

Increased openness and communication between student government and the school is a goal expressed by most candidates for student government pre­sidencies, which with other government and class offices will be elected this Thursday. Seventy-seven U­Highers are on the ballot, the most in several years, according to Student Activities director Don Jacques.

Presidential candidates are as fol­lows:

STUDENT LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COUNCIL—SLCC—Calvin Chen, Adam Haiman, Gideon Schlessinger; Opponents (C.U.): Alyson Cooke, Paul Montes, SLCC—President, Adam Haiman; current SLCC representative Alyson Cooke is running for C.U. to “change the organizational structure, making it strong enough to plan out and follow through projects. If C.U. were better structurally-based, it would get things done and done right.” To achieve this goal, Alyson would implement an attendance system for C.U. members.

Joe Motes, former class president, if elected would organize more varied activities for the whole student body to create more school spirit. “I’ve got people to represent students, but if they don’t then work I’ll impeach every one of them until I get a goar that works,” Paul said.

Also, if elected, Kwame Raoul would also work more activities suggested by students into C.U.’s schedule.

Both candidates for Disciplinary Board president, Charles Bidwell and Craig Haynes, neither with government experience, feel the Board has been ef­fective this year and plan to continue in the same way.

Other candidates, by office are, as fol­lows:

v. president—Bob Fano, secretary—Sherry Mies; v. president—Steve Bennett, president—Gary Sten; secretary—Lois Baldwin, vice president—Seth Su/kin

DIVISIONAL BOARD—President—Aaron Gerow, vice president—Bruce McPherson

NEXT YEAR’S SENIORS—President—Bruce McPherson, secretary—Gary Sten; v. president—Lois Baldwin, president—Mark Gudeman, secretary—Seth Su/kin

Tuition up 12 per cent for school next year

By Matt Gerow, editor-in-chief

Continuing cycles of declining enrollment resulting in tuition increases in recent years is increasing in decline among student body and funds to pay for them. This year the present tuition was 6.5 per cent increase from last year.

The tuition increase, according to Lab Schools director Richard Labiski, resulted from less money coming into the Schools, because of decreased enrollment, and more money spent, because of salary increases and inflation.

“On the other hand, we’re not depending on tuition as our primary and almost sole source of income during a period when other factors—such as inflation, fewer students and faculty salaries have risen faster than tuition,” Mr. Jones said.

He added that the cycle of tuition increases and enrollment declines is one “we’re really caught up in. Many of the parents who choose not to send kids here are reacting to financial pressures.”

Mr. Jones said the Schools need to pursue grants and gifts while seeking ways to cut costs. Instead of recruiting added enrollment, he added, the Schools may have to just let enrollment get smaller and offer a program which is less expensive to operate.
YOU RARELY get a chance to live with a group of friends for an extended period of time. Indeed, the most you can hope for is to see your friends every semester or during the summer. Our social obligations and commitments expand throughout the year, and we are often unable to find the time to spend with the people we cherish and who mean so much to us. So, when the opportunity arises to be with friends for an extended period of time, we should take full advantage of it.

For the past 10 days, I have been living with 15 people—friends, roommates, and others—who share my love of art, music, and creativity. We have spent countless hours discussing our favorite books and films, playing board games, and creating art together. It has been a truly wonderful experience.

In many ways, we are like a family. We support each other through the good times and the bad, and we are always there for each other when we need it most. Our friendship has been tested and strengthened over the years, and I am grateful to have these people in my life.

In conclusion, I want to encourage all of you to seize the opportunity to be with your friends for an extended period of time. Whether it's a summer camp or a retreat, or simply spending time with your friends during the school year, it is important to make the most of these experiences. Your friends are an important part of your life and your success, and you should cherish the time you spend with them.
**Baseball**

At U-High was close to extinction last year before Lower School teacher John Wilson and Bob Straug solved it by volunteering to coach. This year they’re glad they did.

“I’m having a lot of fun with this team. We’re a bigger, more enthusiastic, well-rounded ball club,” says teacher-turned coach Bob Straug said after the Maroons slaughtered Elgin Academy 9-1 Friday night. “They’ve had considerable depth, an excellent attitude and a belief in the baseball,” he continued. “We also have a pitching rotation, something that was unheard of last year.”

With a good defense to back that pitching, junior shortstop Alan King summed up what the team needs to take the Independent School League crown this spring. “If we hit well we win. It’s that simple.”

Earlier in the week, on Tuesday, the Maroons rallied in the late innings to topple Lake Forest Academy, 12-6, there. “They just... don’t give up,” said 4th-grade teacher John Wilson.

Twenty-five members of this year’s baseball team are glad Bob and John didn’t give up.

**Tennis**

Is usually one of the most winning teams at U-High. So it should come as no surprise that after suffering an opening season loss to an unexpectedly strong Lake Forest, 2-3 last Tuesday here, the Maroons got back on the winning track, ripping Elgin 5-0 Friday, also at home.

“We have a very close-knit team, so we don’t blame the loss on anybody but the team,” said coach Steve Kolriss. “The cohesive-ness of a team with no individual selfishness is outstanding. It could be the difference between winning or losing a match or two this year.”

After losing its number one player to the baseball team, the tennis squad has rebounded and built three consistent singles players.

“Our singles are going to be very consistent,” Kolriss predicted. “We have a stronger third-singles than last year, and first and second are very close.”

Looking ahead to post-season play, senior doubles player Brian Boyd said, “I’m already excited about our chances in districts. We have two solid singles and two solid doubles, and that adds up to a downside.”

**Softball**

Team members feel the methods of their new coach, Ms. Deborah Kerr, should propel them to a repeat of last year’s Independent School League championship.

“I thought softball this year was going to be a joke,” said sophomore outfielder Naveena Daniels, “but when I came to practice and saw how well-organized and how coherent she was, and the togetherness she created, I was pleasantly surprised.”

Players say that in practice Ms. Kerr stresses a positive mental attitude, combined with a more aggressive offense backed by a reliable defense. The coach also has helped the team explore fund-amentals which contribute to a more powerful offense. “Ms. Kerr has taught me about batting and sliding, two things new to us that should help the team offensively,” said sophomore infielder Julie Kurland.

Added the coach, “I feel that since this is a team sport, we should play as a team, as one.”

**Outdoor Track**

This year consists of a girls’ team and a boys’ team, but that’s not where the difference ends.

Coach Ron Droux describes the girls’ team as having a group together-ness that has been melded during two previous seasons, claming with two first-place wins in relays at the state meet last year (the girls hope for four first-places this year).

The boys’ team, however, is a mixed breed of newcomers, freshmen and a few individuals who have a shot to go downstate in various events.

“My girls are working their butts off this year,” Droux said. “They’re also helping the younger girls develop. They’re really taking a leadership role on the team.”

Droux believes the boys’ team is a little more fractured. “There’s no real leader on the boys’ team,” he explained, “but each one is working hard in practice and improving steadily.”

Senior mid-morning star Mark Taylor had a reason for lack of unity.

“There’s been a huge influx of boys running this year. A big turnover always takes time to settle and gel.”

Results of track meets so far are as follows:

1. **UP TO BAT** for U-High’s enthusiastic baseball and softball teams are Chester Allen, second-string catcher, and Naveena Daniels, in-fielder.

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