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Court: Wisch accused of not fulfilling duties

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for the MCC, Wisch was supposed to advise the MCC about its budget. The MCC's budget was originally slated to be reviewed by the PFC on Jan. 25 but was moved to Feb. 22 and then back to Feb. 8 at the MCC's request. Wisch was absent from the office on the day that the MCC's budget was due.

Wisch moved the hearing date based upon her feelings that the MCC's budget would be tabled due to the goal statement's language. Wisch felt that the MCC's mission statement was exclusive, not inclusive.

"We're talking about her abuse of our program," said Berwick. "She has done nothing to advocate for our group. If she is allowed to do this to us, she will be allowed to do this to every program. She

did not restore our hearing date."

Berwick also stated that the PFC has a record of being "conservative" near the end of the budget hearing process and most of the money is given out during the beginning of the budget season.

Berwick requested that Wisch be removed from her position as a PFC senator due to a non-fulfillment of duties. The PFC by-laws state that non-fulfillment of duties may occur if a senator misses two scheduled meetings of the Student Senate in a term, fails to maintain 2/3 of the weekly office hours, or fails to perform any other duty required under the ASUO constitution. The PFC stated in a response that Wisch has had nearly perfect attendance.

Berwick said there was more to non-fulfillment of duties than

those delineated in the PFC by-laws. Justice Dave Coffman asked Berwick if Wisch's actions might fall under misconduct. Berwick said they probably would.

Wisch was removed from her position as Vice-Chair of the PFC prior to the hearing.

"We (the PFC) were pretty disgruntled with what she did and how she took it upon herself to interpret things without coming to any of us," said Aleena Kliever, chair of the PFC. "But because she hadn't done anything like miss office hours or meetings or anything, we couldn't do anything more."

Chief Justice Will Childs emphasized the fact that the decision was in no way a judgment of the merit of the MCC's or Wisch's case.

Campus: Dry rot was discovered on Collier's deck

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the disposal of the wood," Knerr said. "It costs \$27 a barrel and \$1 a pound to dispose of hazardous material."

When dry rot was discovered on the deck of Collier House, the Physical Plant made it a priority to get it fixed, said Greg Haider, supervisor for the Physical Plant construction.

So the Physical Plant made it a priority to refurbish the deck and budgeted \$20,000 from a contingency fund made for specific projects on campus.

This job may have cost only about \$5,000, but when you put in variables such as protective equipment and methods, special woodwork and disposal, it costs more, Knerr said.

Care was taken so that the historical appearance of the deck would be preserved.

"The deck does have historical character, so we wanted to be as careful as possible in preserving," said James Wentworth, construction project manager at the University Physical Plant and architectural consultant for the project.

Collier House, a faculty and student lounge and restaurant, is the second oldest building on campus and is registered with city of Eugene's Historic Board as a historic landmark. Measures have been taken to rebuild the deck to its original aesthetic appearance. The tongue and groove floorboards are being reconstructed by a cabinet maker in the Physical Plant, and as many original pieces as possible are being saved.

"I'm very pleased that the University takes stewardship of this building so well and do renovations appropriately," said Joan MacDonald, manager and chef of Collier House.

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