

## Candidates ponder questions

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The status of campaign tickets," the possibility of a low-cost gasoline substitute for campus vehicles, and the introduction of marijuana to stimulate student funds were some of the issues discussed by associated Student Government candidates during a question and answer session in the cafeteria, Monday at noon.

The possible campus production of "gasohol," and alcohol-methane fuel derived from wood alcohol, sugar beets and grain, proved to be a key factor in presidential candidate Don Porter's campaign.

Porter, a first-year College student, said "a minor adjustment of the carburator will transfer an ordinary vehicle to gasohol. After a \$5,000 capital investment, it will cost 20 cents per gallon to produce." All the money saved from the production of the fuel would go into the general fund, under Porter's plan.

Porter said he had a few "changes" that he would like to see happen next year. A student car pool is one of those changes.

Cindy Bennett, competitor for the position of president, countered, "if the federal government has failed to make gasohol effective, then I doubt the College will, either."

More student involvement would be one of the main



Don Porter, left, ASG presidential candidate, proposed his idea of gasohol to save the College money. Cindy



Bennett, right, competitor, responded to Porter's idea negatively. Her idea, "more student involvement."

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points of Bennett's campaign. Bennett has been at the College for nine terms, has served under five ASG presidents, and says she can see what the College needs. Bennett showed much interest in the legislative bills that directly affect students and is concerned with day care, CCOSAC and outreach. "I expect to use my

experience in delegating work to other appointees within the cabinet and senate," Bennett said.

Bill Judd, the third candidate for president, was not present at the session because of illness.

Running for the office of vice president is Marilyn Bushway, a first year student. She is sharing a bill with Don Porter.

Denise Kline is another candidate for vice president. Kline is a senator and currently student activities director for ASG.

Richard Weiss, who ran for president last year, is another candidate for vice president. He is running on the bill with Bennett.

The office of business manager is being sought by Darren MacFarlane and Ron Allen, both business majors at the College.

Beth Thompsen current ASG secretary, is the only can-

didate running for the office for next year.

One question directed at the presidential candidates involved the possibility of using marijuana as a "cash crop" to be sold as a fortification for the student fund.

"I wish that the state legislature would hand down an opinion concerning marijuana legalization," Bennett said. "It is hard to tell exactly what the feelings are, because they are very closed mouth on the subject."

"Why not sell heroin to students, and get them all high?" was Porter's response to the question.

Dave Riggs, ASG vice president and chairman of the election committee, foresees a larger turnout to the polls than in previous years. He attributes this to the intensity of the campaigning that is taking place.

"The campaigning is more intense this year," Riggs said. "I

expect a 20 percent greater turnout at the polls."

In spite of the effort put out by the candidates this year, Riggs sees a possible detrimental effect from the practice of "running together on a ticket."

"There are two diversified groups running against each other on tickets, (Porter, Bushway and MacFarlane; and Bennett, Weiss, Allen and Thompson)," said Riggs, "one side is going to lose, and there is a possibility that the other side will be alienated, when they are needed."

"Losing Mike (McCarty) is definitely going to hurt the structure of the organization," Riggs continued, "and combining that with inexperience could make a rough first half for next year."

McCarty, outgoing ASG president, will turn over his gavel to the new ASG president on May 3. Elections will take place April 24-27.



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## Enrollment holds steady

Attendance is still on the increase at the College, according to the spring term attendance figures.

The Full Time Equivalency (FTE) is 786 this term, compared to 783 a year ago, said Registrar Chuck Adams, "so it

is about a one percent increase over last year."

"I imagine we will run 7,000 full and part-time students for

the term," he said, "which is about the same as last spring term. Adams said the total headcount for spring term is

not firm because the community education figures are not yet complete.

"We will have a better idea of attendance for this year towards the end of the term," Adams said. Total enrollment for 1977-78 was 19,983, for all three terms, he said.

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