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## Math--Science

### Drop Policy Stated

As has been the policy for the last several years, no student may drop a class in the Math/Science department after the first eight weeks of classes.

As explained by Charles Neumann, head of the Math/Phy. Science department: "We're not trying to be unfair with this policy-in fact we believe the eight week limit forces a student to make a decision early, thereby keeping him from being trapped in a class he can't handle."

Mr. Neumann went on to say, "It has been our experience that many students who would have dropped a class in the last minute or failed, are now earning good grades. Students who make the commitment early to stay with the course throughout the semester, have the motivation and time to succeed, where in the past, some students just drifted along until it was too late. "Now if they stay, they are committed to succeed, and if they drop, they have at least half of the semester to concentrate their efforts on the rest of their courses. The instructors in my department are committed to spend as much time and energy as is needed to assist their students in their courses. The key word here is ASSIST. Students who take the initiative to seek help with course work, after first making an honest attempt on their own, will always receive enthusiastic assistance from my department members."

Any student who feels that he may be in a class he is not able to cope with, is urged to see his instructor immediately.

Please note that the eight week deadline for dropping a class in the math or science area is Nov. 8.

Again, if you, have any doubts about a class, see your instructor immediately. That's what he's there for.

## Student Senate Announces

### Projects and Objectives



Standing left to right are Barb Beck, Kraig Knorr, Sheryl Hankins, Jim Clements and Roxanne Sterling. Missing are Kathy Michaud, Marty Tury and Bob Szuber.

The Student Senate is on the move! So far there are a few projects under way that were initiated by last year's senate and are being followed through with. These include: The paving of the student parking lot, a listing of rooms - in Besser Tech and Van Lare Hall - for studying purposes and the times they are available, the pool and euchre tournaments and further improvements to the Van Lare Lounge are being implemented. (A survey has been taken on the latter, as to the desirability and practicality of a juke box for the lounge.)

A new idea under discussion, is the possibility of ACC's Student Senate contacting and meeting with other student governments around the state. This may be made possible by attending Dean meetings or President's conferences with the administrators from the college. The senate feels this would benefit the whole college community because it would enable the senate (and future senates) to better understand and utilize its governing powers.

The Student Senate needs the input of the students whom they represent. There is a suggestion box on the office door and OPEN meetings are now being held every Friday at 2:00 p.m. in Van Lare Hall.

### Parking Lot Paving Begins

On Monday, October 11, 1976, work began on the student parking lot at A.C.C. After several years of planning the infamous sinkholes of the student parking lot will now be a thing of the past.

With final deletions and additions being made at a special meeting of the Intermediate School District Building and Grounds Committee on Thursday, October 7, the plans for the new parking lot were submitted to the Board of Education.

All suggestions and proposals will be considered and discussed.

If there are any questions concerning an aspect of the parking lot, please contact Dean Souden's office - 108 - Van Lare Hall.

## Background of Student Senate Members

This year Alpena Community College's Student Senate is starting out with a full body--President, Vice-President, (3) Sophomore representatives, (3) Freshman representatives and a secretary, (who is not a member of the voting body). The members are:

Kraig Knorr--President, Sophomore. Kraig is in his second year as a Student Senate member. A 1975 graduate of Hillman, Kraig resides at the Dorm while attending ACC, pursuing a career in Communications.

Roxanne Sterling--Vice-President, Sophomore. Roxanne is in her second year as a Student Senate member. A 1975 graduate of Alcona, she resides at home, attending ACC to get an Associates Degree before transferring to Central Michigan Univer-

sity to pursue a secondary education degree. Jim Clements--Treasurer, Sophomore Rep. Jim is a 1975 graduate of Alpena, residing in the area to attend ACC while majoring in Journalism. (his minor is political science). Central Michigan University or the University of Michigan are two four-year schools he is thinking about after he graduates from ACC.

Kathy Michaud--Sophomore Rep. Kathy is a 1975 graduate of Oscoda, residing at the Dorm. She is active in the RHA (Residence Hall Association) and cheerleading. She is attending ACC, majoring in Law Enforcement.

Marty Tury--Sophomore Rep. Marty is attending ACC on a two-year Fisheries program. After graduation he plans on applying for a civil service job in

the area of Fisheries Aide.

Barb Beck--Freshman Rep. Barb is a 1976 graduate of Whittemore-Prescott. She is attending ACC for a Liberal Arts Degree and plans on attending Ferris State College following graduation.

Sheryl Hankins--Freshman Rep. Sheryl is a 1976 graduate of Alpena and is residing at home while attending ACC. She is going for a Liberal Arts Degree and plans on transferring to a four-year college to pursue a career in Social Work--Juvenile Delinquency.

Bob Szuber--Freshman Rep. Bob is new to the area and resides at the Dorm. He is a 1976 graduate of Berkley (Detroit area) and is on a two-year Forestry Program at ACC.