

Panel names released

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University President Frank L. Hereford Jr. has named five faculty members and three students to the committee studying the possible removal of professed homosexual Bob Elkins from the Resident Staff program.

A letter from Hereford dated last Friday established the committee, which will advise Hereford on what some have termed a potentail public relations problem. Elkins, the president of the Gay Student Union (GSU) is also a resident advisor in Hancock house.

Faculty and admipistration members of the committee, chaired by former Vice President for Health Sciences Kenneth R.

Crispell, include Psychology department chairman James E. Deese, Asst. Education School Dean Patrick J. Bird, Assoc., Graduate Arts and Sciences School Dean William A. Elwood, and Assoc. Dean of Students Annette Gibbs.

Students members of the committee include Student Council President Steve Mahan, Resident Staff Co-Chairman Mark Giles and ARC President Bill Lundrigan.

The committee is scheduled to meet at the end of this week, according to Mahan.

The reason for creating the committee and how the situation was brought to Hereford's attention still remains unclear, though according to Giles, no complaint

has been filed with University officials about Elkins.

A spokesman for Hereford said he was "not going to comment on the situation at all," and declined further comment concerning the committee until the panel meets.

Student Affairs Vice President Ernest H. Ern also declined comment on why the committee was formed adding that he would make no comment until he committee meets.

None of the committee members appointed by Hereford have commented on the committee or its purpose.

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