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MISSOULA, MONTANA-- Long range planning for student union requirements on the MSU campus will be undertaken by a newly appointed committee of students and faculty, it was announced by Paul Ulrich, president of ASMSU, in a meeting with Central Board, student governing body, this week. Operating as a sub-committee of the Student Union Committee, the group will develop plans for extension of student union facilities and program, Ulrich said.

Under the chairmanship of Richard E. Shannon, associate professor of Economics, the committee will consist of Vincent Wilson, professor of health and physical education, David Rianda, student union program director, and student representatives including Barbara Wheeler, Ed Whitelaw, Denis Adams, Rena Trost and Ulrich. The appointments were made by Dr. H. K. Newburn, MSU president, in support of a request from the Student Union Committee, under the chairmanship of Professor Edward B. Dugan, that the new sub-committee be established.

With the objective of developing plans that may provide for the next decade and longer, the new group will take steps to research the functions served by a student union program at MSU, and on a basis of this information make recommendations for both structural additions and future program, Ulrich indicated. The Student Union Committee has already taken action to provide funds that will be needed for planning expense, and to allow members of the sub-committee to study student unions on other campuses.

Present student union facilities on the MSU campus are being utilized to a very considerable degree, Ulrich noted, and in the face of expected enrollment increases, plans should be made now for the future. As soon as the sub-committee is ready with recommendations, these will be translated into architectural plans in cooperation with university officials, he indicated.