

## ASWSU: Chicana speaker would benefit all, says Prince

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Center are all helping to sponsor Anzaldua's appearance.

Maish called Anzaldua "internationally known" and "internationally respected."

Anzaldua, who previously taught Chicano Studies and Feminist Studies at the University of Texas, has written and edited several books dealing with feminism, lesbianism and the Latino/Chicano cultures.

In addition to speaking to students, Anzaldua will hold a forum, said Ben Riley, one of the senators sponsoring the bill.

"This is an excellent woman to bring to campus because not only is she doing entertainment but also a forum on anything students want," he said.

Students debated one of the last bills ASWSU considered, a bill that would allocate \$1,743 for a leadership training weekend for Greek students, because it targeted only one group of students rather than the whole university. Riley said comparing the bill to help bring Anzaldua to the Greek TEAM weekend bill was like "comparing apples and oranges," even though both bills target one group.

"I think ASWSU should fund this because it's for all students," he said. "It may only target one group of students, but everybody can come. This is totally open to anyone who wants to come."

Helping fund the speaker is appropriate for ASWSU because the GLBA is an ASWSU committee, said ASWSU senator Ed Prince, another sponsor of the bill.

"The fact that they want to have student forums and find out as much as they can is something I approve of," Prince said. "Even if you're heterosexual, you can still listen to the speaker and learn from her."

## Info Tech: Phase out part of restructuring process

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gave us as to why the positions will be phased out was 'It's part of the restructuring process,' Douglas and Johnson said.

Abdel-Monem said, "We wanted to be able to make decisions regarding the overall structure of Information Technology without worrying about the director positions or the individuals in them. The long term goal is to have either one director or no director at all."

WSU established a vice provost position for learning and technology to oversee Information Technology this summer.

It has not been decided whether the vice provost will be responsible for day-to-day operations of Information Technology, essentially serving as the director, or if the vice provost will have a variety of responsibilities, in which case a new director would be hired.

Establishing the vice provost position for learning and technology was recommended by the Information Technology Task Force.

The task force was charged with identifying the future computing and telecommunications needs of WSU and recommending an organizational structure that would most effectively meet those needs.

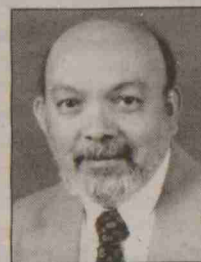
IT recommended computing in administrative and academic units be performed and managed within each unit.

Furthermore, WSU should establish small computing staffs across the campus resulting in centrally supported but locally managed computing centers.

"I am disappointed there has been insufficient analysis of the impact of decentralizing administrative processes. However, I have confidence an open dialog among all interested parties will result in a leaner, meaner Information Technology organization that will better serve the needs of the university," Johnson said.

Douglas agreed.

"There has not been enough study conducted or understanding gained to make any decisions at this point," he



Abdel-Monem

said. "More technical support people will be necessary. One of the choices WSU has to make is where it will get these people. Taking them out of Information Technology is not a viable solution and could seriously damage the university," Douglas said. Upon recommendation of the task force, WSU established an implementation team to

address the recommendations of the task force report and develop a strategy to transform Information Technology into a more responsive organization.

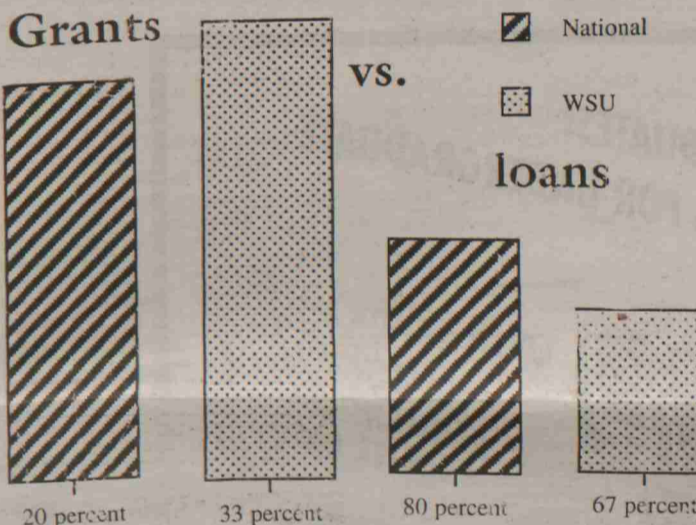
The implementation team, chaired by Gale A. Sullenberger, is comprised of 10 WSU faculty and staff members.

The first implementation team meeting will be later this week.

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### Other task force recommendations

- The main function of Information Technology should be limited to providing the backbone infrastructure for the campus community.
- Information Technology should continue to manage telephone services and the university's access to the Internet.
- Fiber optics and other computing cabling should be considered utilities. Physical Plant would be responsible for these services.
- The Personal Computing Center is no longer needed as a university-supported unit, and the sale of computers and related equipment should be delegated to a local franchise.



## Aid: Students can lobby and vote

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Murray said. "As the government gets smaller, private businesses need to take up some of the responsibility for higher education. We cannot all sit here and say it is not my problem."

Students can play a pivotal part in the financial aid process and making sure money is allocated at the federal level by utilizing their voice, Longanecker and Murray said.

"Students are not apathetic, they want to get involved," Murray said.

College students are a powerful force when they express their concerns to their legislature, she added.

To influence the government, Longanecker said, students can lobby and vote.

"We would not have the budget we have today for student loans if not for the students' work," he said.

Sparks agreed. "The current funding could have been much bleaker," Sparks said.

"Students have a positive impact."

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