

Three UW Students Suspended

Regents Vote Get-Tough Policy

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University of Wisconsin Regents Thursday adopted a get-tough policy against students and others involved in disruptive or destructive campus disorders.

Meeting in special session, the regents:

ONE. Suspended three students for illegal acts in a Feb. 17 destructive rampage through several campus buildings.

TWO. Assumed original jurisdiction in their cases and appointed former State Supreme Court Justice J. Ward Rector to conduct their disciplinary hearings.

THREE. Enacted an emergency rule prohibiting students suspended or expelled for illegal acts in demonstrations from entering any UW campus for one year.

FOUR. Enacted a similar rule that would apply to non-students convicted of offenses growing out of campus disorders.

FIVE. Voted to ask the Legislature to change existing laws so that the University administration is given authority to suspend students immediately "subject to due process."

THE THREE suspended students are James M. Strickler, a sophomore from Teaneck, N.J.; Ronnie Stricklin, a freshman from Milwaukee; and Richard B. Rosenfeld, a sophomore from Olivette, Mo.

Stricklin, a black student, is charged with attempting to smash a vending machine in Bascom Hall and throwing a fire standpipe hose on the floor.

Strickler is charged with throwing a chair and overturning other furniture in Bascom Hall, and Rosenfeld is charged with breaking glass in a door of Van Vleck Hall.

Rector conducted disciplinary hearings for 94 Oshkosh State University black students in De-

cember that led to their expulsion for a November destructive rampage through administration offices on that campus.

THE HEARING for the three UW students will be conducted on Mar. 19. In the meantime, they will not be able to attend classes or use UW facilities.

Charges were also filed against three other UW students Wednesday by the UW for their part in the recent disorders over black student demands. Those cases will be heard before the campus Committee on Student Conduct.

Prosecution of all the cases will be by Warren M. Schmidt, an assistant attorney general. The UW administration recommended a one-year suspension for all of the students charged Wednesday.

UNIVERSITY PRES. Fred Harvey Harrington told the re-

gents that serious danger to personal safety of members of the University community existed as a result of the violence on Feb. 27 and "there are strong indications that conduct of this kind will be repeated."

Madison Chancellor Edwin Young said he concurred in the central administration's recommendations on the suspensions.

"I believe the actions of the persons named indicate they'll go to any length to disrupt the campus and I believe they shouldn't be allowed to continue as students," Young said.

REGENTS ALSO agreed to take up at their April meeting
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