# WIsconsin State Unlversity Stevens Point <br> THE POINTER 

Student Opinion

## Is Irrelevant

Subtitle：Student demonstrators are often asked this question by those they demon－ strate against，＂Why can＇t we sit down and his campus ettempted to do just that with nembers of the history department．This is the account．

At the end of last school year，the tenured nembers of the history department voted not
lo rehire Dr．Goldstein．This decision was the utcome of a test experiment that Dr．Golstein conducted in several of his classes．He told his get an $\mathbf{A}$ ．
hey did not，they would take the test a ate the test．This was an experiment to show the meaninglessness of grades and，also that every his price
It was meant to serve as an indication to both aculty and students of how grades are looked raised cudgel of the gradepoint．
Goldstein was not permitted to give the grades on that basis and was not rehired for that rea－ s a one year notice，given by the history de－

This semester I have Dr．Goldstein as an in－ tructor．I have been so impressed by his ability communicate meaningfully with his students st year＇s decision．
Kurt Simpson，a classmate of mine，had been thinking the same thing．We got together and drew up two petitions supporting Dr．Goldstein hopes that Goldstein would be rehired．
The petitions were issued on Monday，Nov． 24 passed the two petitions out in my history class that day（without Dr．Goldstein＇s knowledge） ass signed them．Things were looking all right． ther students were taking petitions around for signing．Thanksgiving vacation began Wednes－ Over vacation I found out that the tenured nembers of the history department would mee chance Goldstein＇s rehiring would then be dis－ cussed．Time was running short；things were no cussed．Time was runnin
longer looking so good．
On Monday，Kurt and I got together and be－ gan to contact tenured members of the history ight．Kurt and I talked to Justus Paul，the head $f$ the history department，and he agreed to let he two of us make a presentation to the com
I talked to Mr．Guy Gibson（a tenured mem bers of the history faculty）who indicated to me hat discussions of this nature were beneficial tudent dialogue with faculty would be good e thought．
He also
He also expressed this opinion：faculty mem－ bers who are hired，should not be fired．Gibson
believes that enough information should be believes that enough information should be
gathered before a teacher is hired so that the eacher will not then face losing his job．
Kurt Simpson talked to Mr．Russell Nelson a tenured member）．I don＇t know what Mr．Nel－ son said to Kurt，but Kurt seemed optimistic fter their talk．But time was getting short Kurt ran around collecting petitions；I sat隹 n the two of us meandered over to the Gar ing would take place．

At The Meeting－My Reflections
Outside the Garden Room，Justus Paul said would call the meeting to order and then in alled the make our presentation．I guess her vited in．We introduced ourselves，and I noted hat most of the historians were smiling I don＇t think they were all friendly smiles． phere：（1）hostility，and，（2）a feeling that this was all a joke to the historians．Like this was ome game we were playing．For their amuse－

Like we were putting on a little performance or them．You know，scene one：enter disgruntled tudents－impudent and comic at the same me．Well，I too felt a little funny；I too though I was some humor evident
I thought that it was ridiculous and a little comic that here were all these serious old his members of the department．But we meant busi－ embers of the department．But we mean A man＇s ob was at stake．
A man＇s livelihood．I did not enjoy what I was ny presentation
was polite；I was courteous．This is what aid：Basically，I told about the petitions．The were then passed around to the tenured mem （See OPINION page 3


DR．ROBERT GOLDSTEIN of the history depart－ met，shown here，is involved in a controversy because Some students feel he should be retained while others do not．See editorial on this page and
editorial page．（Mike Dominowski Photo）

## New Constitution

Suggests Reorganization


MIKE HOULIHAN is one of many studenta who feel that Dr．Goldstein should editorial on this page to）

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PAUL INTERVIEW


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## OPINION

and that more time be given us to turn in al the petitions before a decision be made.
so suggested that a public hearing take place so that students and faculty could communicate
their views to each other. Dr. Goldstein works with students; he teaches them, not the faculty members.
Students, I felt, should at least be given a
chance to express how they felt, though I did chance to express how they felt, though I did
not ask that the students should render a vote not ask that the students should render a vote
or make the final decision. I just wanted to or make the final decision. I just wanted
see the students represented in the matter.
I mentioned next that a question of academic freedom was involved - that if Goldstein's case established a precedent, then any instructor's test procedures might come under quight be grounds for non-retention.
From the faculty viewpoint I thought this would be frightening. (But, of course, hese were ing methods almost never come under question). Then I said the question concerned grades and test procedure, not learning.
Dr. Goldstein's teaching ability was hardly considered. Whether students were learning was not being discussed. (Let mé add, the overwhelm-
ing student sentiment is that the test-eating in ing student sentiment is that the test-eating in
cident was a learning experience).
Finally I asked how many of those present
actually knew what kind of a man Dr. Goldstein was, how many knew what kind of a teacher he was. They were taking away his job, and, the entire situation as they possibly could.
I finished my presentation. Mr. Morrison stood gant statement." (He may have been referring gant statement." (He may have been reere or just the last section where I questioned what they know of Dr. Goldstein). He appeared to be quite angry,
Some questions were put to me and I answered
them as best as I could. Someone said that all of my "terms" weren't correct. I replied that I was new at these proceedings, and, perhaps, if more
faculty-student discussions took place I would faculty-student discu
get my terms straight
I said all these things politely. I was being nice although I wasn't feeling so nice.
Kurt then stood up and read the two petitions and was saying a few words when he was inter-
rupted by Mr. Richard Face, who said words to the effect that they (trofer ecisions in these professionally trained to render decisions in these "student opinion is irrelevant" in these matters (In grad school do these people take courses in hiring and firing, I wondered).
Kurt then said that perhaps there was no us irrelevant.
after that. We were asked some questions and some historians made statements. In fairness, some of the tenured members seemed interested and willing to listn to us - but these were few.
Th majority, I think, (although some were silent and it was hard to tell) considered us audacious for approaching their meeting. I think we were not taken seriously,
were not really listening ny - those historians were not realy listening, not really hearing what
Kurt and I were saying. They would not deal with the real issue. They kept talking about proper procedure, proper terms, formula, etc. They
were not willing to deal with Dr. Goldstein as a teacher. He is a stimplating, vibrant instructor but they weren't interested in that. They didn't care if learning took place in his class. They did not care that here was a man who could
municate, though he dared be different.
I learned a painful, poignant lesson. The stu dent is a nigger. thing must be done. Our opinions are not irrele-
vant. There will be a meeting of the history majors and minors tonight at 8 in the Wisconsin Room of the University Center.

Dr. Goldat this wiling to present his side of the matter cussion of student participation within the departmen

I further advocate students to write short expressing concern or disagreement over the nonretention of Dr. Goldstein and expressing interest in student voice. Send a short letter to President Dreyfus, too.

Michael Houlihan

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Pointers In Action
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