Open Meeting On Rights Held; Senate Organizes Committee

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A crowd estimated at close to 150 attended Monday night's open meeting of the Committee on Student Rights, held in the Grand Hall of the Memorial Center.

The five Student Association officers presided over an interested but somewhat reserved discussion of a draft Statement of Student Opinion and a plan for student participation in disciplinary decisions. Student opinion ranged from enthusiastic acceptance of the entire proposal through requests for modification to thorough-going opposition.

Much of the meeting was taken up with discussion of the proposed Statement of Student Opinion. Many students expressed the opinion that such a statement served no useful purpose and would only appear inflammatory to an administration which might otherwise be favorably disposed to consider specific proposals.

Other students felt that a definitive statement of some kind was needed to clarify and guarantee student support felt to be necessary for any kind of effective government.

ABOUT HALF the group left when the meeting passed to a consideration of the specific plan which the committee proposed to submit to the administration.

A group of student leaders met with an administration official Wednesday afternoon who assured them that the administration was still open to suggestions concerning alteration of the present governmental and disciplinary system.

Following this meeting, the Student Senate established a ten-member committee to draft specific proposals or alternatives for submission to the full Senate for approval. These proposals would then be passed on to the administration for consideration and negotiation.

THE COMMITTEE is to be composed of the five Student Association officers and the five college presidents.

When asked about the formation of the Senate's ten-man committee, Reed Martin, President of the Student Association

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