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OIT representatives spoke to Duke Student Government about budget problems at a meeting Wednesday.

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# DSG OKs Community Standard referendum

## Duke student government

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Duke Student Government unanimously endorsed at its meeting Wednesday a revision of the Duke Community Standard that will face a student referendum as part of the DSG elections April 3.

The new version of the community standard emphasizes "the principles of honesty, fairness, respect and accountability" instead of the policies that stem from these principles. The new version eliminates the reference to University policies.

Senior Jimmy Soni, DSG vice president for academic affairs, said the focus on academic principles evident in the revised version will compel students to act on their own ethical standards instead of strictly adhering to University laws.

"The revision separates the world of policy from the world of principle," he said. "We're not looking for moral policing from faculty or students. The real mission behind this is to empower people to act."

DSG President Elliott Wolf, a junior, stressed the importance of having the Senate voice its support for the revised Community Standard before it is placed in the hands of the voters.

"It would be good to endorse it to show our confidence," Wolf said. "I personally believe the revised version is much improved."

Soni said the Senate's unanimous support for the new version affirms the standard's effectiveness.

"In a room that usually has pretty sharp criticism, we unanimously approved the new Community Standard, and I think this bodes well for the vote on April 3," Soni said. "I think DSG realized this is a more robust and stronger revision."

In other business:

Office of Information Technology representatives Kevin Davis and Mike Pickett presented a proposal to implement a quota limiting the free ePrint service available to all students.

Since the inception of ePrint at the start of the 2003-2004 academic year, the number of pages printed is projected to increase by 119 percent by the end of Spring 2007-an increase from about 12.4 million pages printed to about 27.2 million pages printed.

The proposed ePrint limitations would restrict students to \$36 in printing credit per semester-enough money to print 1,800 single-sided pages. Students who require additional pages would have the option of paying a fee of \$10 for a 500-page increase to their quota.

After unsuccessfully lobbying Provost Peter Lange to appropriate the \$100,000 necessary to keep ePrint limitless, OIT was forced to attach monetary value to each page and cut costs, Davis said.

"Right now you don't have any way of realizing there is a cost behind this," he said. "The real goal is to keep on providing the quality of service."

Pending approval, Davis said the quota will go into effect in Fall 2007.

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