Renovations

Overdue

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Editor students,” he said, referring to the 1981 semester.

Overdue renovations of the Bike Rack have been delayed because of other essential student needs, according to Student Union Director Glenn Menard.

As early as 1976, the union staff and students in the Union Program Council had judged the daytime snack bar area inadequate for student entertainment, converted into the Bike Rack at night.

“The problem was identified,” said Menard, “but the dormitories outweighed the Bike Rack.” He cited the need of bedding and repairs in the dormitories as a priority. He also said delays in the renovations project were hampered by the focus on the problems with the efood services contract last year.

According to Menard, the Bike Rack will have to be shut down for the summer to renovate.

“I was actually disappointed because of the promise to

students,” he said, referring to the 1981 semester.

It will cost $65,000, that is readily available, for the improvements that were designed to make the snack area functional in the day as it is now.

“The bar is a problem area, it’s not a showplace,” commented Menard.

The updated spring 1980 plans call for upgrading the bar with better plumbing facilities. Entryways will also be upgraded. The ceiling will be painted blue to create a “mood effect”, tables and chairs recovered and a new lighting system installed. A new wall will close off the kitchen area at night.

Students complained most about the music in the Bike Rack. “We intend to have cassette or reel to reel music,” Menard said, adding that it would be a “varied mix of music.”

Menard contends that the university will only be getting an approximate 8 percent of profit from the whole deal.