

Judicial Hearings Set To Begin For Blacks

The judicial hearings before the Student-Faculty Judiciary for the 25 black students charged with having participated in the pre-Christmas sit-in in the Office of Dean of Students were anticipated by Dr. Lowell Kafer, Dean of Students, to begin either the latter part of this week or the beginning of next.

Kafer said that the commencing of the hearings would follow an announcement by civil authorities of their intended action. He said that the announcement would probably be forth coming sometime this week, but as of press time, it had not been made.

Kafer said that the 25 black students will individually be charged in one of three ways. They will be charged, he said, with either illegally occupying the Office of Dean of Students after 5 p.m., being present during the time of property damage and property loss and when Dr. Allan Niemi, Vice President of Student Affairs, was

detained 45 minutes; or being in a position of leadership and present during the time of the property damage and property loss and when Dr. Niemi was being detained.

Kafer said that there is a possibility that additional black students may be charged..

Prior to the semester break Dr. John X. Jamrich, president of Northern Michigan University, denied a request for amnesty to the black students who participated in the sit-in.

The request, signed by David Williams, a black student who serves as an administrative aide on the university's Human Rights Commission, included a list of 94 black students, who signed their names as having participated in the sit-in.

In releasing this list of names, the black students explained that charges, if made, should be brought against all 94, rather than the 25 that the university has indicated it will seek action against.