Subject: Re: Should the community have a "say"?
Posted by cheesesoda on Sun, 27 Jan 2008 08:24:51 GMT
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That's why I had this proposal. If people want to take control, then they should have to contribute. Just as American citizens, we need to pay for the services that we benefit from.

Obviously, Crimson could just as easily install a script/mod onto these forums that would make it subscription-based, but she has chosen not to. She wants to make it free, and here are people bitching about not having control. Well, if they want that control, then they should have to pay or shut the fuck up.

If people want something changed, they need to do it. If this proposal is successful, it proves the community is willing to step up. If this proposal isn't successful because of the lack of support, then we have something to wave in the faces of anybody who bitches and ignored the opportunity to actually have a say. It's easy to be an armchair quarterback. It's easy to know what the government *should* do. It's not so easy to put forth the effort to make it a reality.

Edit: Like any normal person, I want to have a piece of control in the community that I'm a part of. Obviously, there's a lot of stupid shit that goes on in these forums. Not that you guys are necessarily failing in that, I feel that there'd be a wider support of order if more of the community had a say. The people who would pay to have a say would be contributing factors in the community. People would be less likely to disobey rules if they will get banned for their misconduct.

If you pay for something rather than have it given to you, you're going to be more apt to not want to destroy it. If you're that sadistic, then you have problems. Most people are going to want to utilize what they pay for. If people can have a say that they paid for, they're going to care more.

As for what people would/should be able to have a say in, well... More or fewer moderators, more up-to-date rules of conduct, the overall decisions that may be better over a widespread vote of respected individuals, new ideas for the forums, etc...