

# Catawba College Student Government Association

September 22, 2005

SGA Room: Cannon Student Center

9pm

## Welcome:

President Danielle Petrin called a regular meeting to order at 9:00 pm. Quorum was present with all members in attendance. Colby Winston motioned to forgo the reading of the minutes and approve them. Shannon Mayo seconded. The quote of the day was read by Jay Johnson who submitted the words of Michael Jordan.

## Old Business:

### A. Committee Reports:

- 1) **Social Committee:** The social committee has met a few times already this year and has picked their theme for Homecoming. The theme will be "An International Affair". They have contacted clubs about their interest in sponsoring social events during the week of Homecoming and have enough interest for a different event each night of the week. They are planning to contact the Homecoming Court when elected. Elections will be next week during lunch and dinner times. The budget request for Homecoming will be submitted for the upcoming SGAC meeting. They are still planning the parade and Homecoming Dance.
- 2) **Elections Committee-** The elections committee has not yet met this year. They are setting up a meeting for a later date. Committee members are currently working to prepare for Homecoming Nominations and Elections which are to be held next week.
- 3) **Student Comfort Committee-** This committee has not yet met although they have been in the process of working on the SGA "Kiss the Pig" Fundraiser which has been very successful. Current financial numbers of funds raised so far have not yet been prepared. The group is also working with the Staff Committee regarding food services at Catawba.

John Robertson and Tiffany Cox will be the students involved in the committee.

**4) Residence Life Committee-** The Residence Life Committee has not yet met as an entire group due to scheduling conflicts but plans to meet within the week. The group will walk through campus at night during their next meeting in order to figure out if there are any places on campus that need additional lighting. No further business has yet been brought to their attention.

**5) Student Government Appropriations Committee (SGAC)-** The SGAC had a mandatory meeting on August 29<sup>th</sup> and from this 29 clubs and activities on campus were deemed active. On Monday September 12<sup>th</sup>, the first Budget Hearing was held and the following clubs received the allotted funding:

<b>Campus Crusade for Christ</b>	<b>\$122.47</b>
<b>Catawba Crazies</b>	<b>\$611.50</b>
<b>Catawba Political Science Assoc.</b>	<b>\$69.00</b>
<b>Nature SAFE</b>	<b>\$90.00</b>
<b>Wigwam</b>	<b>\$1098.60</b>

The next budget hearing will be this Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00pm.

## **B. President's Reports:**

**Senior Class-** The Senior class has met twice. They have stuffed envelopes and put labels on them to send to all parents of students living on campus regarding their Birthday Wishes fundraiser. They are working on that case by case and have already gotten responses. During Homecoming, they are planning on doing the Lip Sync Contest.

**Junior Class-** The Junior Class has planned a "Halloween Fun Fest" for their social event of the semester. They will have a costume contest and pumpkin carving contest at this event which will be held on Halloween night. They will also be selling Homecoming T-shirts during the week of Homecoming. They have not yet planned their community service project.

**Sophomore Class-** The Sophomore Class has met and will be doing their first social event of the year during Homecoming Week. It will be a "Family Feud" game show. They are also planning to do a Dating Game of sorts for the second semester.

For fundraising, this class will be doing a Faculty luncheon. They will try to do one each semester depending on Dr. Clapp's schedule.

- C. Crosswalk Update-** President Danielle Petrin informed SGA that there will be a meeting in regards to the crosswalk situation this week.

### **New Business:**

- A. Swearing in of Freshman Class Officers-** postponed until later on in the meeting.
- B. Senior Class Treasurer-** The Senior Class chose Jill Makransky to be their new Treasurer. Jill was unanimously approved. All of the Freshman Class Officers, Jill Makransky, and Tiffany Cox were sworn into office at this time.
- C. Homecoming Nomination/Fundraiser Sign Ups-** President Danielle Petrin passed around a sign up sheet asking each member of SGA to work twice during the Homecoming Elections.
- D. Paintball Club-** Andrew Elliot spoke at this time regarding his interest in forming a paintball club at Catawba College. He prepared documents for the SGA members including his proposal with estimated costs and fundraising information. He also included information regarding the National Collegiate Paintball Association (NCPA) which he proposed our paintball club would belong to. This would allow them to participate in intercollegiate paintball tournaments and to receive rates and discounts on supplies and materials that those within the organization are eligible for. SGA members asked Andrew Elliot several questions regarding his proposal which they were supplied answers to. Andrew told SGA that he has had several students speak to him regarding their interest and added that he would like to see the organization be a good representation of the college. Andrew said that the paintball club will most likely be self funded through fundraisers and various sponsored events. Jeffrey Smith motioned to give Andrew Elliot full support in his proposal to form the paintball club. Robert Jenkins seconded that motion. The motion was approved with a majority voting in favor.
- E. Recent Events off Campus-** Dr. Girelli addressed concerns regarding the recent articles about Catawba students in the Salisbury Post. He maintained that he would have to respond generally to these events due to student privacy issues and because

no final decisions had yet been made. Dr. Girelli asserted that only people who were on the scene of the incident are knowledgeable for what truly happened at the event and that no other students have exact information. Dr. Girelli said that Catawba College's position regarding off campus behaviors can be found in the Student Handbook. Dr. Girelli also stated that the college is taking the time to address the concerns from the incident in a fair and appropriate manner. Alexander Will moved that SGA members not support gossip or rumors regarding the incident. Colby Winston seconded and the motion passed.

- F. **College Court Nominees-** President Danielle Petrin nominated Andrew Howe, a Junior at Catawba College and Alyssa May Florida, a Sophomore at Catawba College to serve on the Judicial Committee. The nominations will be turned in to the Judicial Committee which will then meet with the candidates and if approved, give the nominations back to the SGA Congress to vote on.

**Announcements:**

- A. Leadership Retreat- The Leadership Retreat will be this weekend.
- B. "The Marriage of Bette and Boo"- This play will continue Friday and Saturday night at 7:30pm.
- C. ICC Meeting- There will be an ICC meeting Monday, September 26 at 8:30 pm. Each club must have a representative in attendance.
- D. SGAC Budget Requests- Requests will be due Friday September 23 by 5:00 pm. The Budget Hearing will then be Monday September 26 following the ICC meeting at 9:00 pm.
- E. Next Meeting- Our Next Meeting will be October 6 at 9pm.

**Adjournment:**

Jake Thaggard motioned to adjourn the meeting and Kelly Phillips seconded the motion. The adjournment was approved and the meeting ended at 9:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elisa A. Alfieri  
SGA Secretary