

Catawba College

Student Government Association

February 21, 2008
SGA Room: Cannon Student Center

A regular meeting of the Catawba College Student Government Association was called to order by Vice President Cecilia Runge at 9:02pm. Quorum was present with Senator J.J. Johnson having an unexcused tardy. Absent from the meeting were Aly Halter (Kevin Flebbe), Jake McClain (Lucy Scott), Kenzie Brogden, Jon Rhodes, and Abby Brown. Congress was asked to look over the previous minutes for mistakes; errors were corrected, and the minutes were approved.

I. Swearing in of New Officers

President Cecilia Runge swore in new Junior Class Senator, Megan Durham. Megan was then welcomed by the entire Congress.

II. Public Relations/ Secretary Update

Secretary Elizabeth Foye stated that our PR Director, Tom Sharp and herself had a meeting with Maegan Worley, Web Designer here at Catawba, who manages the website and got neat ideas on how to update the current SGA website: (<http://www.catawba.edu/administrative/studentaffairs/sga/>) Elizabeth stated that Congress minutes are posted on the websites regularly. Some upcoming additions will be pictures, blogs, calendars, events that will be available to be view daily. Elizabeth encouraged anyone from Congress would have any ideas, pictures, or blogs to please email them to me at eafoye@catawba.edu

III. President's and Committee Reports

President Cecilia Runge stated they all President's and Committee reports will be due at the next formal congress meeting in March.

IV. Old Business

President Cecilia Runge opened the floor for discussion to discuss how SGA would help if any out with Catawbapalooza. Laura Jollay stated that she got the impression that they did not need any help. Kevin Flebbe stated that we might help out during the day with posters all week. Kevin also asked if this would be required for all SGA to participate. President Cecilia Runge stated that yes it would be mandatory to help out. Stephanie Hill stated that we could help out with something small during the day like painting and passing out the Mardi Gras face masks. Jillian Lincourt expressed her concern about

the event, about what it would be and why the entire SGA having to participate. Cecilia stated that everyone would not have to be present but would have to help out with at least publicity. Cecilia called a vote to vote on whether or not SGA would be willing to help out with Catawabapalooza. The vote did not pass with majority so SGA will not be helping out with Catawabapalooza.

V. **New Business**

- a. Big Prize Bingo: VP Alex Will thanked Lindsey Jackson for helping make the task list for everyone and timeslots. Emails will be sent out and hung outside the SGA door. SGA members can only play when they are not working. Alex also encouraged congress to express that the idea is to encourage people to vote during bingo. Congress thanked Lesley Hill for the prizes and Dip-N-Dots.
- b. Elections: VP Alex Will stated that there is a good competition for President and VP but still not Treasurer. Cecilia Runge reminded everyone about the shadowing program and since no one came forth tonight if someone is not on Congress we would have to call an emergency meeting. (Lesley nominated Brittany Tyner for Treasurer)
- c. Building Bridges: President Cecilia Runge expressed her concerns on how to get the different social groups here on campus together and asked for opinions from Congress. Treasurer Heather Schiffhauer stated a Catawba picnic with the Athletes cooking on the grill and the Theatre students cooking/serving the desserts. Lindsey Jackson stated that each department or major should get together in a big fair. Kevin Flebbe stated a reality TV-Project Runway-Danceworks (Catawba Wars) where the athletes and theatre students would be doing different skits. Lindsey Jackson stated that the teams should be mixed and Laura Jollay stated that they should be randomly pulled students with different skits and teams and be made to work together to improve the lack of participation. Cecilia Runge stated that she would be incorporating all the cool ideas together and Alex Will moved this task to Residence Life and JJ Johnson seconded. Cecilia opened the floor up for discussions. No given so it was called to vote. The vote passed with a majority vote so Residence Life was given that task of building the bridge between the social groups on campus.
- d. Improving Communication: Cecilia Runge stated that she is trying to find way to improve the communication between Congress and the rest of SGA. She stated that other class officers feel left out of the loop. Laura Jollay suggested getting a bulletin board to replace the old one before construction. Stephanie Hill suggested having weekly or biweekly meeting to let them know what really is going on. Cecilia stated that the minutes could be emailed to all of SGA. Also to email the entire student body direction on how to access the SGA website.

VI. **Concerns**

Laura Jollay stated the poor attendance of Congress members at meetings and the responsibility of their job.

Lindsey Jackson stated the Food Forum will be held on March 13th and how they will be revealing the new plans for the new cafeteria and the new meal plans.

VII. Announcements

- a. The Wild Party- Feb. 20-24th at 7:30pm in the FBC
- b. Winterfest Ball- Feb. 23rd at 10pm in Crystal Peeler Lounge
- c. Big Prize Bingo- Feb. 24th from 7-10:30pm in Saleeby Dining Hall
- d. One Night Only- Feb. 25th at 8pm in Hedrick Little Theatre
- e. Next Congress Meeting- March 13 at 9pm
- f. Broadway Cares AIDS Benefit- March 29th at 7pm- Crystal Peeler
- g. Freshman Class- Beauty and Geek Benefit Dance- Mar. 14th

VIII. Adjournment

Lindsey Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Heather Schiffhauer. The motion passed and the meeting ended at 10:29pm

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Foye
SGA Secretary 07-08