

Catawba College Student Government Association

October 20, 2005
Cannon Student Center
9pm

Welcome:

President Danielle Petrin called a regular meeting to order at 9:03 pm. Quorum was present with all members in attendance except for Jay Johnson, Trey McNamee, and Emily Hoffman. Tiffany Cox arrived tardy for the meeting. Colby Winston motioned to forgo the reading of the minutes and approve them. Robert Jenkins seconded. The meeting began after introductions were made by Congress members to those in attendance of the meeting.

Old Business:

A. Committee Reports:

- 1) **Social Committee:** The social committee just finished their duties of putting on Homecoming for Catawba. They were responsible for many of the most critical parts of Homecoming including the Parade, Spirit Bowl Contest, Decorating of the Campus, and Homecoming Court Procession. Their next task will be planning the Inaugural Ball in the spring for those who are newly elected to serve on the Student Government Association.
- 2) **Elections Committee-** The elections committee finished their role in conducting Homecoming Elections. The Homecoming King and Queen were crowned at the football game on Saturday during the Homecoming Festivities. This year's King is Jeff Smith and the Queen is Summer Zuck. In the future the committee plans to work on making the election process even better for students.
- 3) **Student Comfort Committee-** This committee has 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 also was responsible for advertising for this particular SGA meeting.

4) Residence Life Committee- The Residence Life Committee met with Allen Hinson, Deputy Director of Public Safety, and Henry Haywood, Director of Facilities. The group took a walk on campus looking for potential dangerous spots on campus that could use better lighting. They found a few problem areas that will be worked on in the future. Some of the areas include the Abernathy Quad, parking lot behind the Corriher-Linn-Black Library, and the paths to the gym, tennis courts, and Shuford Science Building. They are also looking to improve call boxes, cell phone connections in dorm rooms, and other concerns within the school year.

5) Judicial Affairs Committee- The Judicial Affairs Committee has met and discussed their nominations for new College Court Justices. They came to the conclusion that Andrew Howe and Alyssa Florida were their top selections. Both of these candidates were approved by SGA Congress.

B. President's Reports:

Senior Class- The Senior Class has been busy doing their Birthday Care Packages. This fundraiser has made them a good amount of money this year. They also recently sponsored the Lip Sync' Contest during Homecoming Week.

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 finished selling Homecoming T-shirts and are short \$100 from breaking even. The shirts were not as successful as the group had hoped, however they will be donating the extras to Rowan Helping Ministries and sending the rest with the Relief Team from Catawba for hurricane victims. The group is also beginning to discuss community service projects for the year.

Sophomore Class- The Sophomore Class completed their first social event of the semester last week during Homecoming by doing a Family Feud Game Show Night. The event was a large success. They are considering doing a faculty luncheon as a fundraiser in the future.

Freshman Class- The Freshman Class has chosen Dr. McAllister to serve as their advisor. They are thinking about hosting a raffle or a student-faculty sporting event as potential fundraisers. They are also thinking of a western themed night or carnival as ideas for social projects. They will be assisting the Junior class with the upcoming Halloween Fun Fest.

C. Crosswalk Update- President Danielle Petrin informed SGA that she has met with Representative Coates to discuss Catawba Crosswalk safety. Representative Coates suggested that we start a petition to gain attention to the growing concern for safety at our on-campus crosswalks.

New Business:

A. Student Center: Colby Winston moved to discuss possibilities for improving the current Student Center and to have the Student Comfort Committee work on implementing those suggestions. Alex Will seconded that motion. Various ideas were presented by Congress members and other students that were in attendance of the meeting. Suggestions included:

- updating pictures in the Student Center
- fixing up the display cases
- adding student's artwork to the walls
- painting a mural
- using white boards to advertise upcoming events
- moving some of the offices to different locations in order to give students more room in the building
- paint the walls a different color
- add computers to the facility
- get new furniture or reupholster existing furniture
- get the clock fixed
- add arcade games
- add a juke box
- add a bubblegum machine
- install phones that can call on-campus phone numbers
- add magazines
- add board games
- add a Welcome Center to help manage activities

The group also discussed the addition that is in the works for the Student Center. This project is still in the planning stage, however students kept this potential new space in mind when considering options for renovation. President Danielle Petrin called a vote and the vote passed to allow the Student Comfort Committee to begin finding ways to implement these suggestions.

B. Any Student Business- Tara Millington suggested adding vending machines to the Student Center that contained different choices beyond soda. She suggested that they be turned on when the snack bar is closed. Colby Winston suggested that the snack bar be open twenty four hours a day, seven days a week.

Announcements:

- A. Volleyball vs. Carson Newman @ 7pm on Friday
- B. Football Game vs. Tusculum @ 1:30 this Saturday
- C. Women's Soccer vs. Presbyterian on Saturday at 7pm
- D. Men's Soccer vs. Salem on Sunday at 1pm
- E. Fall Break: October 24th and 25th
- F. Football Game @ Carson Newman, Thursday, October 27 on TV
- G. "Bastards and Fools" will play October 25-29 @ 7:30 in Hedrick Little Theatre
- H. Our next meeting will be November 3rd at 9 pm in the SGA Room

Adjournment:

Colby Winston motioned to adjourn the meeting and Robert Jenkins seconded. The motion passed with only one opposition and the meeting ended.

Respectfully Submitted,

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SGA Secretary